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Introduction

This is the twenty-sixth annual report prepared from data collected by the N.C. Health Professions Data System (HPDS), formerly the Health Manpower Component of the North Carolina Cooperative Health Information System. The N.C. Health Professions Data System was developed to collect and disseminate timely and reliable data on licensed health professionals in North Carolina. The System was initiated in 1975 with federal funding from the National Center for Health Statistics and was assisted in the early 1980s by a grant from the Duke Endowment through the N.C. Hospital Association. Although selected data are available beginning in 1976, continuous and equivalent data files have been maintained since 1979. For most professions these data include name, mailing address, birth year, gender, race, information on basic professional education, specialty of practice, activity status, form of employment, and practice setting. Special analyses and reports from all data files may be requested (*see Appendix III*).

This report draws on data from the HPDS and describes the supply and distribution in 2003 of licensed individuals in sixteen health professions by county and selected regions. The HPDS is maintained by the Cecil G. Sheps Center for Health Services Research of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Support for the HPDS is provided by the N.C. Area Health Education Centers (NC AHEC) Program and the University of North Carolina Office of the Provost (Health Affairs). This report would not be possible without the cooperation of the independent health professions licensing boards that provide data to the Cecil G. Sheps Center for Health Services Research.

Sources and Limitations of the Data

Source of Health Professions Data

Health professions data for this report are provided annually by the regulatory boards for each of the following professions: certified nurse midwives, chiropractors, dental hygienists, dentists, licensed practical nurses, nurse practitioners, optometrists, pharmacists, physical therapists, physical therapist assistants, physicians, physician assistants, podiatrists, practicing psychologists, psychological associates, and registered nurses. The Boards provide demographic, practice, and location information on every professional licensed to practice in the state of North Carolina between January 1st and October 31st of each year. This year, and for the past twenty-five years, this annual report has been prepared using data files current up to October for the respective year; this makes it possible for users to perform longitudinal analyses and to examine yearly changes in health professionals over time.

Physician data are derived from the N.C. Medical Board's licensure files. These data contain some physicians who are currently in postgraduate medical training programs but who have permanent licenses. In an effort to accurately separate physicians in residency training from those that are not in residency training, listings of physicians in postgraduate medical education programs as of July 2003 were obtained from all North Carolina residency program institutions. These lists were compared with the N.C. Medical Board's licensing file. Physicians in residency training are not included in the number of counts by county in this publication. All resident physicians enrolled in postgraduate medical education programs were identified and are reported in Table 1.

Table 1: Number of Residents-In-Training by Sponsor Location, 2003

Residency Program	County	Residents	Percent
Duke University Medical Center	Durham	841	33.10
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill-UNC-Hospitals	Orange	596	23.46
Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center	Forsyth	482	18.97
East Carolina University-Pitt County Memorial Hospital	Pitt	268	10.55
Charlotte AHEC-Carolinas Medical Center	Mecklenburg	188	7.40
Coastal AHEC-New Hanover Regional Medical Center	New Hanover	56	2.20
Greensboro AHEC-Moses H. Cone Memorial Hospital	Guilford	45	1.77
Mountain AHEC Family Practice Residency Program-Asheville	Buncombe	24	0.94
Cabarrus Memorial Hospital	Cabarrus	23	0.91
Southern Regional AHEC-Fayetteville	Cumberland	18	0.71
State Totals	State Total	2,541	100%

Source: Residency data are received annually from the respective residency programs and are based on the institutions' lists of house staff, residents and fellows as of July 2003.

The N.C. Midwifery Joint Committee provided data on certified nurse midwives (CNMs). Data for nurse practitioners (NPs) and physician assistants (PAs) were obtained from the N.C. Medical Board. Certified nurse midwives and nurse practitioners are included in the registered nurse (RN) counts because CNMs and NPs maintain their RN licensure with the N.C. Board of Nursing.

Definitions and Limitations

Because state law requires a license to practice for each of the professions profiled, the data reported reflect an accurate enumeration of the supply and distribution of licensed practitioners. However, because the actual activity status of a given professional may change over time (i.e. the person may retire, move out of the state but maintain a license, or maintain a license while working in another profession), having a license does not always indicate that the individual is actively practicing. To adjust for this, the data presented in this report include only those individuals who indicated on their license registration renewal form that they were working in North Carolina and were actively engaged in the profession. Active status may include administrators, researchers and educators who are active in the profession but not engaged in direct patient care. Active status is assigned to individuals who are newly licensed and have not reported their status. Those with unknown activity status often include newly licensed professionals who at the time of licensure had not yet secured employment in their profession. Those individuals who report a business address or hours but who do not report their status are also assigned an active status¹. Health care professionals are assigned to their self-designated primary practice location county if they are active and to their mailing address county if they are active and their primary practice location is unknown. For physicians, this is based on zip code information; for all other professions, counties are identified by the professional on their licensure form. The nursing professions (registered nurses, certified nurse midwives, nurse practitioners, and licensed practical nurses) and the dental professions (dentists and dental hygienists) are grouped together in the region and county pages. Physicians are broken down separately. The remaining professions are listed in alphabetical order.

For the purpose of this report, doctors of medicine (MDs) and doctors of osteopathy (DOs), both of whom register with the N.C. Medical Board, are grouped together. Physicians are classified by specialty according to the self-reported primary specialty indicated on their Application for Registration with the N.C. Medical Board. Physicians whose primary and/or secondary specialty has changed since 2002 were checked against specialty data provided by the N.C. Medical Society. Physician data in this report are classified by residency-training status in 2003 and federal or non-federal employment status. The physician data reported in this publication are for non-resident licensed physicians who are not currently participating in one of the postgraduate medical education programs listed in Table 1.

Within the category of non-resident physicians are federal and non-federal physicians. Physicians included in the federal category have reported that their principal employer is the federal government. These individuals may have primary practice settings in a health facility in a military installation, Department of Veterans Affairs, U.S. Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, or other federal health facility. Because their practices are in community settings, all National Health Service Corps physicians are included in the non-federal category, except for uniformed Public Health Service physicians who may be in a Health Service Corps placement. The N.C. Medical Board supplied federal physician data

¹ For physical therapists and physical therapist assistants, individuals who report that they are not actively employed in physical therapy but are seeking employment in physical therapy are also considered active. These are the only professions that have data available on whether individuals are seeking employment.

reported in this document. Federal physicians practicing in government facilities are not required to be licensed by the N.C. Medical Board to practice medicine in North Carolina, so the numbers for federal physicians reported in this publication may fall short of the actual numbers of federal physicians in the state. Federal providers are not asked to specify their employment setting on the annual registration renewal form; therefore, military providers cannot be subcategorized within the federal providers category.

In 2003, physicians indicating non-federal status were checked against primary practice setting. Physicians who indicated non-federal status but whose primary practice address was in a military setting were reclassified as federal physicians. As a result of this audit, the supply of federal physicians may have changed in counties where there is a large military installation. Onslow county saw an increase in the number and proportion of federal physicians from 2002 to 2003. The Regional Profiles which include Onslow county also reflect these changes in the number of federal physicians. This increase is largely the result of changes in methodology to match federal status to federal employment setting and the reader is cautioned from drawing conclusions about changes in the supply of federal physicians in 2003 in this county.

The N.C. Board of Nursing requires biennial registration (on the birth month) for the state's registered nurses (RNs) and licensed practical nurses (LPNs) with half of the state's RNs and LPNs registering with the Board each year. Therefore, the report includes data on the 50% of RNs and LPNs who renewed their registration in 2003, and data for the remaining 50% who renewed their registration in their birth month. Additionally, the N.C. Psychology Board requires biennial registration. Both the Board of Nursing and the Psychology Board update their data in non-renewal years to reflect address changes and deceased practitioners.

Population Data

The 2003 projected population data reported in this publication were downloaded from Log Into North Carolina (LINC), the State Data Center's online data system <<http://www.linc.state.nc.us/>> administered through the Office of State Planning, N.C. Office of the Governor. The 2003 population data are projected numbers as the 2003 estimates were not available at the time of publication. The 2002 population figures are based on the April 1, 2000 Census. Ratios of health professionals reported are per 10,000 population.

Demographic and Economic Data

This publication includes additional health, vital statistics and socio-demographic data. The majority of these data are available on-line via the websites of the specific source agencies or through LINC. A list of the variable names, numbers, definitions, and the source of data by variable number can be found in *Appendix II: Definition of Terms*. All county and substate regional level health professions data provided in this publication will also be available on-line at <<http://www.shepscenter.unc.edu/hp>>.

The infant mortality rates reported in the 2003 State Totals, Non-Metropolitan/Metropolitan counties, Area Health Education Centers, Health Service Areas, the Department of Environment, Health

and Natural Resources, and the Perinatal Care regions are computed for a one year rate. Previous publications of the Data Book reported regional infant mortality based on a five year rate.

This publication reports the number of general hospital discharges in 2002 from acute care, short-stay hospitals by county of patient residence. The year 2003 general hospital discharges were not available at the time of compilation of this report. The data exclude normal newborn discharges (DRG 391). These data are made available through the LINC Data Base.

Summary of Trends in North Carolina Health Professional Supply

The overall number of health professionals in North Carolina grew from November 2002 to October 2003.

Table 2 below summarizes the number of health professionals licensed in the past two years and the percent change in those numbers between 2002 and 2003.

Table 2: North Carolina Health Professions Statistics: 2002 and 2003

	Active in Profession (October) ²		
	2002	2003	Percent Change
Physicians			
<i>Non-federal, not in training</i>	16,769	17,090	1.9%
<i>Primary Care Specialties</i>	7,119	7,265	2.0%
Family Practice	2,293	2,347	2.3%
General Practice	163	151	-7.4%
Internal Medicine	2,394	2,481	3.6%
Obstetrics/Gynecology	952	960	0.8%
Pediatrics	1,317	1,326	0.7%
<i>Other Specialties</i>	9,650	9,825	1.7%
<i>Federal³</i>	410	473	15.4%
<i>Residency Training</i>	2,512	2,541	1.2%
Nurses⁴			
Registered Nurses	74,895	76,334	1.9%
Certified Nurse Practitioners	193	196	1.5%
Nurse Practitioners ⁵	1,992	2,122	6.5%
Licensed Practical Nurses	16,887	16,946	0.4%
Other Health Professionals			
Chiropractors	1,104	1,160	5.0%
Optometrists	846	885	4.6%
Pharmacists	7,183	7,218	0.5%
Physician Assistants	2,213	2,390	8.0%
Physical Therapists	3,303	3,347	1.3%
Physical Therapy Assistants	1,628	1,671	2.6%
Podiatrists	233	234	0.4%
Practicing Psychologists	1,571	1,626	3.5%
Psychological Associates	942	927	-1.6%
Dentists and Dental Hygienists			
Dentists	3,415	3,462	1.4%
Dental Hygienists	4,058	4,095	0.9%

² Data are for in-state professionals; includes unknown activity status.

³ Includes federal physicians in the armed services, U.S. Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, and the Department of Veterans Affairs. Federal physicians practicing in government facilities are not required to be licensed in the state and therefore these data may underestimate actual supply.

⁴ Prior to 2000, RN and LPN licensure renewals occurred in December of each year. Data in 2002 were the first year that reflected a shift to renewal by birth month that occurred in 2000. Numbers for 2002 were lower than usual because they reflected individuals who left the file in the 22 months between January 2001 and October 2002.

⁵ Data on Nurse Practitioners are from the NC Medical Board.

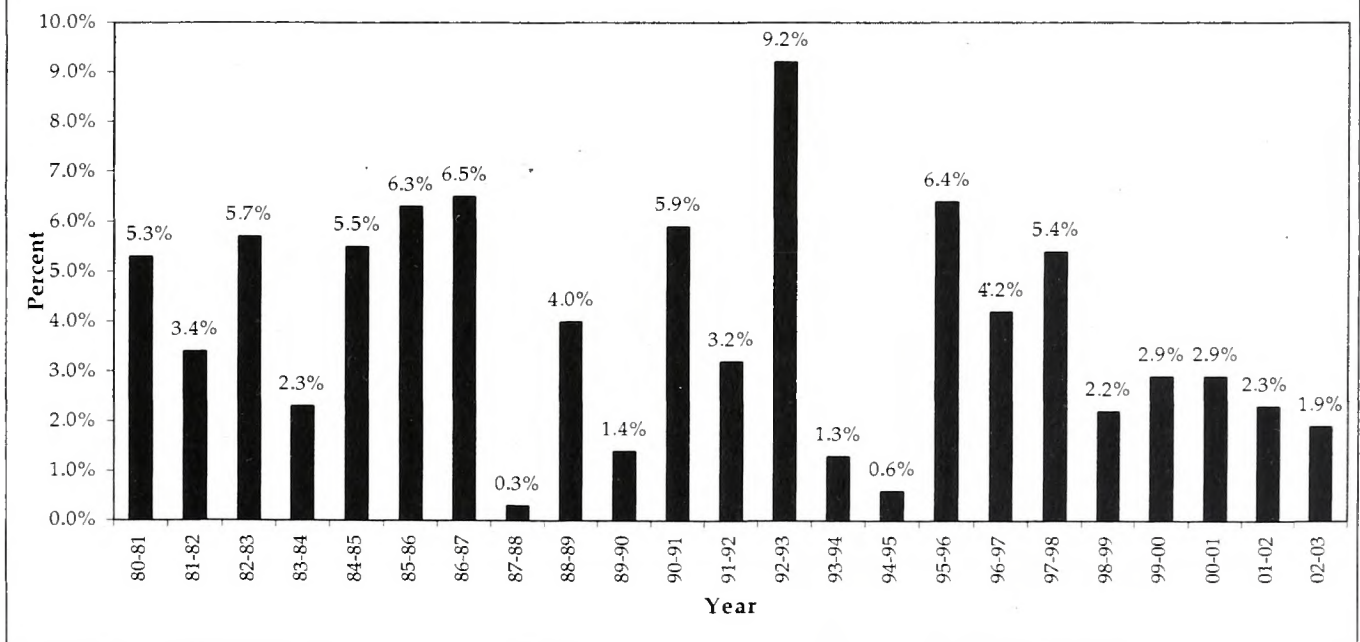
The majority of health professions in 2003 saw moderate growth. The number of primary care physicians increased 2.0% (+146) from 2002 to 2003. Internal medicine (+87, 3.6%) and family practice (+54, 2.3%) physicians continued to expand with a 3.6% and 2.3% increase respectively. The primary care specialties with less than 1% growth are pediatricians (+9, 0.7%) and obstetrician-gynecologists (+8, 0.8%); each of these primary care disciplines experienced smaller growth than in the previous year. The obvious exception is the 7.4% drop (from 163 in 2002 to 151 in 2003) in general practitioners. The largest percentage increases in other health professions were seen by physician assistants (+177, 8.0%), nurse practitioners (+130, 6.5%), chiropractors (+56, 5.0%), and optometrists (+39, 4.6%). In 2003 there were moderate increases in the supply of practicing psychologists (+55, 3.5%), physical therapy assistants (+43, 2.6%), and registered nurses (+1,439, 1.9%). Psychological associates (-15, -1.6%) continued on a downward trend for the third year in a row.

CHANGES IN SUPPLY

Physicians

Figure 1 depicts the annual growth, over the past 22 years, for the total number of active licensed physicians practicing in North Carolina, excluding those in residency training or employed by the federal government. The 1.9% (+321) growth of physicians licensed by the N.C. Medical Board between 2002 and 2003 is less than seen in the previous year, continuing the slowing trend in growth of physician supply. This is the fifth consecutive year that the growth in physicians has been equal to, or less than, 2.9%.

**Figure 1: Yearly Increases in the Number of Licensed Physicians
1980-2003**



Prior to 1997, physician licensure renewal was a biennial process that, through 1994, was held in even numbered years. In 1995, a switch was made to odd numbered years. However, in 1997, licensure renewal became an annual process. Figure 1 shows a greater increase in non-renewal years, e.g., 95-96, 92-93, 90-91, and 88-89. This is because a non-renewal year reflects the migration of doctors into the state or into active practice (i.e., newly licensed physicians or those who notified the Board of their change in status) but not the corresponding out-migration or inactivity because the license remains in effect throughout the entire two-year period.

In 2003, every county in North Carolina had at least one physician reporting a primary practice location; the fewest number were found in the following counties: Tyrrell (1), Hyde (2), and Perquimans (2). Counties with the largest percentage growth in the supply of physicians between 2002 and 2003 include Hyde (+1, 100.0%), Pamlico (+3, 50.0%) and Swain (+8, 61.5%). Forty-seven counties experienced an increase in the number of physicians; sixteen had no change in supply, and thirty-seven counties lost physicians. The largest numerical reduction was in Onslow County (-13, -9.5%)⁶.

The supply of **primary care physicians** in North Carolina increased at the same rate as the physician supply (1.9%, +146) in 2003. However, when compared with **primary care physicians** from the previous year there is a slowing in growth from a rate of 3.1% (+211) to 1.9% (+146). For the past five years the growth of primary care physicians has slowed, from a rate of 5.2% (+332) in 1999. Forty-four counties increased the numbers of primary care physicians, with Bladen (+5, 33.3%), Dare (+7, 35.0%), Hyde (+1, 100.0%), Pamlico (+2, 33.3%), and Swain (+8, 80.0%) experiencing the largest percentage gains. Durham (+30, 5.9%), and Mecklenburg (+35, 4.7%) counties gained the most primary care physicians. The number of primary care physicians remained stable in seventeen counties, and thirty-nine counties had a reduction in supply. The largest decreases were seen in Onslow⁷ (-8, -13.2%), and Union (-5, -6.9%) counties.

Nurse Practitioners, Certified Nurse Midwives and Physician Assistants

The 6.5% (+130) expansion in the **nurse practitioner (NP)** numbers in 2003 continues a nine-year trend of substantial growth. While three counties (Greene and Pamlico and Stokes) doubled their NP supplies, Washington county regained a sole NP for the first time since 1999. Four counties had no nurse practitioners (Alexander, Camden, Martin and Perquimans)⁸ and nine counties only had one (Bertie, Clay, Gates, Graham, Hyde, Jones, Tyrrell, Transylvania and Washington) in 2003. Alexander and Camden have had no NPs since 1998 and 1997 respectively. In total, fifty-one counties increased their supply of nurse practitioners, while twenty lost providers and twenty-nine experienced no change.

The state's **certified nurse midwives (CNMs)** data show a very slight 1.5% (+3) percentage increase in supply between 2002 and 2003. This is only the second time since 1997 that the CNM

⁶ This drop is likely due to a change in methodology in 2003 which reclassified physicians indicating a primary practice in a military installation as federal status. See the section on Definitions and Limitations for further details.

⁷ *Ibid.*

⁸ Data are based on primary practice location; there may be NPs with secondary or other practice locations in these counties.

workforce has not grown by more than 9%: 12.2% (+21) in 2002, 9.2% (+14) in 2000, 10.9% (+15) in 1999, 14.0% (+17) in 1998, and 15.2% (+16) in 1997. In 2003, Beaufort, Cabarrus and Caldwell experienced the largest percentage expansions in CNM supply (100.0%, 150.0% and 100.0% respectively). Overall, fourteen counties saw their CNM supply rise, seventy-two experienced no change, and fourteen counties lost providers⁹. Hoke county lost its sole CNM in 2003. However, three counties that previously had no CNMs gained one midwife (Edgecombe, Sampson and Union). The net result was that forty-seven counties in North Carolina had no CNMs in 2003, a slight improvement from forty-nine counties in 2002.

The sharpest increase in supply for all the health professions included in the N.C. Health Professions Data System was experienced by **physician assistants (PAs)**. This year's 8.0% (+177) growth in PAs continues a pattern of steady expansion; each of the previous five years has yielded gains equal to or greater than 8.0%: 8.9% (+181) in 2002, 8.1% (+152) in 2001, 13.7% (+226) in 2000, 14.9% (+214) in 1999, and 12.3% (+158) in 1998. In 2003, fifty-five counties expanded their PA supply; two of these tripled their number of PAs (Greene +2 and Washington +2). The next highest percentage change was seen in Chowan county (+1, 100.0%). Twenty-three counties experienced no change in their PA supply, including three counties that had no PAs in both 2002 and 2003 (Camden, Currituck and Mitchell). Twenty-two counties decreased their supply, while three counties (Avery -1, Hyde -2, and Yancey -2) are losing their only PA provider.

Licensed Practical and Registered Nurses

The reader is reminded that prior to the year 2000, RN and LPN licensure renewals occurred in December of each year. The 2002 data was the first year that reflected a shift to renewal by birth month by the N.C. Board of Nursing. Numbers for 2002 were lower than usual because they represented individuals who left the file in the 22 months between January 2001 and October 2002. The **registered nurses (RN)** data show a 1.9% (+1,439) rise in counts of RNs in the state between 2002 and 2003. This is greater than the 0.2% (+181) increase in 2002 in the RN supply, which was affected by changes in the licensure renewal process. This numeric growth within the RN workforce is in alignment with the growth rates expected prior to 2002. The annual numeric increase in RNs for the eight years prior to 2002 was in excess of 1,500 providers. In 2003, sixty counties expanded their RN supply. Three counties (Alleghany, Bladen and Granville) had no change in their RN supply. RN numbers declined in thirty-seven counties with the largest percentage decrease in Jones county (-12, -30.0%). The largest numeric loss was in Avery county (-21, -12.8%). The two counties with the fewest RNs in 2002, Gates and Hoke, each experienced gains (+4, 22.2% and +14, 17.7% respectively).

The supply of **licensed practical nurses (LPNs)** increased slightly by 0.4% (+59) between 2002 and 2003. Between 2002 and 2003, forty-five counties increased their number of LPNs, forty-five counties

⁹ Data are based on primary practice location only; there may be CNMs with secondary or other practice locations in these counties.

dropped their LPN counts, and ten counties stayed the same. The largest percentage losses were in Camden (-5, -62.5%) and Tyrrell (-3, -60.0%). The largest reductions in number were in Guilford (-24, -3.4%) and Watauga (-31, -30.4%) counties.

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Between 2002 and 2003, North Carolina experienced a 1.4% (+46) increase in its supply of **dentists**. This increase is less than that of the previous three years. The 2003 year follows an increase of 3.5% (+101) in 2002, a 2.8% (+89) increase in 2001, and a 4.4% (+136) increase in 2000. Thirty-two counties showed reduced numbers of dentists between 2002 and 2003, thirty-two other counties had no change in their supply of dentists, and thirty-six counties saw their supply of dentists rise. The counties of Camden, Hyde, Jones and Tyrrell have not had a dentist indicating a primary practice location since 1995. Bertie, Gates, Graham and Northampton each have only one dentist.

In 2003, there was a 0.9% (+37) rise in the number of **dental hygienists** registered with the Board of Dental Examiners. This is a significant drop in the growth rates experienced in 2002 (4.9%, +192) and in 2001 (5.4%, +197). Fifty-seven counties showed growth in 2003 while thirty-one counties decreased their supply of hygienists. There were twelve counties that had no change in their number of hygienists. In 2003, the largest percentage expansions were seen in Alleghany (+4, 200.0%), Caswell (+2, 200.0%), Camden (+1, 100.0%) and Davie (+10, 100.0%). In 2003 the largest absolute gains occurred in Chatham (+13, 81.3%), Union (+22, 68.8%), Davidson (+18, 42.9%) and Harnett (+13, 50.0%). Five counties had only one hygienist with a primary practice location (Currituck, Jones, Northampton, Perquimans and Washington) and four counties did not possess any (Bertie, Gates, Hyde and Tyrrell) in 2003.

Pharmacists

The number of licensed **pharmacists** showed little change (0.5%, +35) from 2002 to 2003. This year is the first of the last several that breaks a trend of a modest but steady growth: 1.7% (+123) in 2002, 2.1% (+143) in 2001, 2.9% (+197) in 2000, and 3.4% in both 1999 (+213) and 1998 (+227). Between 2002 and 2003, the supply of pharmacists grew in forty-two counties. Buncombe experienced the largest raw number increase (+16, 6.7%) in pharmacists while Currituck had the largest positive percentage change (50.0%) with the addition of one pharmacist. In 2003, Camden and Hyde were the only counties without a pharmacist claiming it as a practice location. At an increasing rate, thirty-eight counties lost pharmacists; the largest reduction in numbers occurred in Durham (-38, -5.8%) and Pitt (-10, -5.2%). Alleghany lost two of its five pharmacists for the largest percentage decrease (-40.0%), while twenty counties had no change.

Physical Therapists and Physical Therapist Assistants¹⁰

Between 2002 and 2003, the supply of licensed **physical therapists (PTs)** grew 1.3% (+44) in comparison to the previous year's growth of 4.3% (+135). Thirty-eight counties expanded their supply of PTs, thirty-two lost PTs, and thirty counties had no change in numbers. Bertie and Bladen, which had no PTs in 2002, each gained one provider in 2003. Perquimans and Tyrrell have had no PTs since 1999, and Northampton lost its only two providers in 2003, resulting in three counties possessing no PTs. The number of **physical therapist assistants (PTAs)** increased 2.6% (+43) from 2002 to 2003. Forty-three counties expanded their supply of PTAs, thirty lost PTAs, and twenty-seven counties had no change in numbers. Perquimans tripled its supply of PTAs (+2, 200.0%). Washington gained two PTAs having had none in 2002. Clay (-1) lost its sole provider in 2003 and Camden and Tyrrell have had no PTAs since 2001.

Psychologists and Psychological Associates

The number of **psychologists** in North Carolina grew by 3.5% (+55) between 2002 and 2003. This is nearly double the growth rate of (1.9%, +30) from 2001 to 2002. Annual increases for three years prior to 1999 had been no more than 3.0%. There were twenty-eight counties without a practicing psychologist in 2003. Sixteen counties had only one psychologist and nine counties lost psychologists during 2003. During 2003, thirty counties lost **psychological associates**. Overall, North Carolina experienced a decrease (-15, -1.6%) in the supply of psychological associates in 2003. Thirteen counties had no psychological associates in 2003; three counties (Bertie, Columbus and Washington) lost their sole provider. Forty-six counties experienced no change, and twenty-four gained psychological associates. Eighteen counties only had one provider. Two counties, Sampson and Vance, experienced the highest percentage growth (+1, 100.0% for both) while Buncombe had the highest numeric gain (+4, 6.9%).

Podiatrists, Optometrists and Chiropractors

In 2003, the **podiatry** workforce experienced another slight expansion (0.4%, +1), which is smaller than the 0.9% increase in 2002. This year's growth is a return to a trend of minor workforce increases since 1998¹¹. Nine counties gained podiatrists. Eighty had no change in numbers; forty of these eighty counties have had no podiatrists since 2000. Sampson lost its sole podiatrist in 2003. Orange county had the highest percentage growth and numeric gain (+3, 300.0%). Together, Forsyth, Mecklenburg, and Wake accounted for almost one-third (30.3%) of all podiatrists in the state (71 out of 234).

In 2003, North Carolina's **optometrist** workforce grew by 4.6% (+39), continuing a small recovery that started after 2000's 0.1% decline (-1), which was the first break in a slow growth trend extending back to 1993 (changes ranged between 1.5% and 2.8% for those years). Twenty-three counties gained

¹⁰ Changes between 1999 and 2000 were calculated using revised 1999 counts due to a change in the licensure form and how the activity status was collected. Individuals who had an unknown activity status in 1999, but who were retired, students, unemployed or employed in a profession other than physical therapy in 2000 were not included in the revised 1999 counts used in this edition.

¹¹ This fluctuation may be attributed to a change in processing of podiatry records between 2000 and 2001.

providers, eleven lost providers, and sixty-six counties experienced no change. Ten counties had no optometrists; eight of these have had none since 1993. Wake (+1) and Mecklenburg (+9) experienced the largest gains. Together, Mecklenburg and Wake accounted for more than one-fifth (21.1%) of all optometrists in the state (187 out of 885).

Between 2002 and 2003, North Carolina's count of **chiropractors** grew by 5.0% (+56). Since 1993, there have been no losses in supply and 1995 and 1997 showed peak increases of 9.1% (+65) and 13.5% (+109) respectively. In 2003, thirty-four counties increased their number of providers, ten lost providers, and fifty-six experienced no change. Eleven counties remained without any chiropractors since 1993. Franklin, Pasquotank and Washington had the largest percentage gains (+3, 150.0%), (+3, 100.0%), and (+1, 100.0%) respectively. Once more, Mecklenburg and Wake accounted for a high proportion of chiropractors in the state (26.7%, 310 out of 1,160).

CHANGES IN PRACTITIONER TO POPULATION RATIOS

North Carolina's population increased 1.7% between 2002 and 2003, similar to the 1.8% growth rate experienced the previous year¹². Any examination of the changes in the supply and distribution of the health care workforce must take into account North Carolina's rapid population growth rate, as well as the differences in population growth rates across counties of the state. To account for these factors, changes in health professional supply are illustrated in this section by examining the number of health care professionals per 10,000 people¹³. The practitioner per 10,000 population ratio provides a better mechanism to compare the supply and distribution of health professionals across varying geographic areas than the use of simple raw counts. Tables 3 through 13 (except Table 5) include the ten highest and lowest ranked North Carolina counties based on active physicians, primary care physicians¹⁴, registered nurses, dentists, and pharmacists per 10,000 population.

Table 5 provides the physician and primary care physician ratios per 10,000 population for the United States, North Carolina, and selected states that border North Carolina based on American Medical Association (AMA) data. Caution should be used in comparing these figures to the ratios shown elsewhere in the data book because of differences in the data collection efforts at the AMA; the AMA master file relies on survey data and is updated throughout the year while the North Carolina licensure data are collected in October of every year.

Table 14 shows the practitioner-per-10,000 population ratios for all North Carolina counties in alphabetical order. Similar to Table 2, those licensed professionals for whom activity status is "unknown" are included in the "active" category. Professionals are only counted once and are located in counties based on primary practice location.

¹² The population change reported here was calculated using the July 1, 2002 population estimate and the July 1, 2003 projection as reported by the NC State Data Center < <http://www.linc.state.nc.us/> >.

¹³ Publications of this document prior to the 1999 edition reported population per health professional ratios.

¹⁴ Primary care physicians are those who report their primary care specialty as family practice, general practice, internal medicine, pediatrics, or obstetrics/gynecology.

Physicians per 10,000 Population Ratio

The 2003 ratio of N.C. physicians per 10,000 population remained the same, 20.1, as in 2002. This is the third consecutive year that the ratio has remained nearly constant at 20.0 in 2001, and 20.1 in both 2002 and 2003. The counties with the ten largest and ten smallest ratios in 2003 are included in Tables 3 and 4.

Table 3: Counties with the Largest Physicians per 10,000 Population Ratios, 2003 vs. 2002

2003 Rank	County	2003 Total Physicians	2003 Total Population	2003 Physicians per 10,000 Population	2002 Physicians per 10,000 Population	2002 Rank
1	Orange	1,130	125,372	90.1	88.8	1
2	Durham	1,596	234,780	68.0	67.4	2
3	Pitt	596	139,521	42.7	43.0	3
4	Forsyth	1,248	318,751	39.2	39.5	4
5	Buncombe	713	215,496	33.1	32.5	5
6	New Hanover	548	171,279	32.0	31.6	6
7	Moore	221	79,368	27.8	28.0	8
8	Pasquotank	97	35,678	27.2	28.9	7
9	Henderson	235	95,314	24.7	23.8	10
10	Mecklenburg	1,850	755,021	24.5	24.1	9

Table 4: Counties with the Smallest Physicians per 10,000 Population Ratios, 2003 vs. 2002

2003 Rank	County	2003 Total Physicians	2003 Total Population	2003 Physicians per 10,000 Population	2002 Physicians per 10,000 Population	2002 Rank
100	Perquimans	2	11,678	1.7	1.7	100
99	Tyrrell	1	4,219	2.4	2.4	98
98	Greene	5	19,878	2.5	3.1	96
97	Gates	3	10,726	2.8	2.8	97
96	Currituck	6	19,726	3.0	3.1	95
95	Alexander	12	35,292	3.4	4.0	92
94	Stokes	16	46,771	3.4	3.7	93
93	Hyde	2	5,830	3.4	1.7	99
92	Hoke	13	37,438	3.5	3.6	94
91	Graham	3	8181	3.7	4.9	85

According to the data from the AMA and the U.S. Bureau of the Census, as seen in Table 5, there were, on average, about 21.8 physicians per 10,000 population in the United States at the beginning of 2002. This is down slightly from 21.9 in 2001. According to the AMA data, North Carolina's ratio was 20.2, slightly lower than the national average.

Table 5: Physicians & Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population, US and Selected States, 2002

AMA Physician Data:	US Physician/ 10,000 Pop	NC Physician/ 10,000 Pop	GA Physician/ 10,000 Pop	SC Physician/ 10,000 Pop	TN Physician/ 10,000 Pop	VA Physician/ 10,000 Pop
Total Physicians *	21.8	20.2	18.0	19.0	21.3	21.4
Primary Care Physicians**	8.0	7.6	7.0	7.3	7.9	8.3

Source: Area Resource File, Bureau of Health Professions, National Center for Health Workforce Information and Analysis, data from AMA Master file, effective 12/31/02; U.S. Census Bureau "State Population Estimates and Estimated Components of Change" July 1, 2002 resident total population estimates by state <http://eire.census.gov/popest/states_dataset.csv> Internet Release Date: April 9, 2004. National resident total population estimates "Table NA-EST2003-01 - National Population Estimates: April 1, 2001 to July 1, 2003" <<http://eire.census.gov/popest/data/national/tables/NST-EST2003-01.php>> December 18, 2003.

* Active, nonfederal physicians, excluding residents/fellows.

** Active, nonfederal physicians, excluding residents/fellows with specialties of family practice, general practice, internal medicine, obstetrics/gynecology, and pediatrics.

Compared to adjacent states, North Carolina has fewer physicians per 10,000 population than Tennessee and Virginia, but more physicians per population than Georgia and South Carolina. As mentioned earlier, the county- and state-level ratios using the N.C. Medical Board data are difficult to compare with the AMA figures due to differences in methodology and timing of data collection and reporting.

Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population Ratio¹⁵

On average, there were 8.6 primary care physicians per 10,000 population in North Carolina in 2003, a slight increase from 8.5 per 10,000 population in 2002. Tables 6 and 7 illustrate the counties with the largest and the smallest primary care physician per 10,000 ratios.

Table 6: Counties with the Largest Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population Ratios, 2003 vs. 2002

2003 Rank	County	2003 Total Primary Care Physicians	2003 Total Population	2003 Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	2002 Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	2002 Rank
1	Orange	424	125,372	33.8	33.1	1
2	Durham	513	234,780	21.9	20.9	2
3	Pitt	235	139,521	16.8	17.0	3
4	Jones	15	10,465	14.3	14.4	4
5	Buncombe	296	215,496	13.7	13.4	5
6	Swain	18	13,529	13.3	7.5	35
7	Forsyth	404	318,751	12.7	12.9	6
8	New Hanover	210	171,279	12.3	11.9	7
9	Henderson	107	95,314	11.2	10.1	11
10	Jackson	38	34,729	10.9	10.2	9

¹⁵ Primary care physicians are those who report their primary specialty as family practice, general practice, internal medicine, pediatrics, or obstetrics/gynecology.

Table 7: Counties with the Smallest Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population Ratios, 2003 vs. 2002

2003 Rank	County	2003 Total Primary Care Physicians	2003 Total Population	2003 Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	2002 Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	2002 Rank
100	Perquimans	2	11,678	1.7	1.7	100
99	Tyrrell	1	4,219	2.4	2.4	98
98	Pender	11	44,548	2.5	2.8	95
97	Greene	5	19,878	2.5	3.1	91
96	Currituck	5	19,726	2.5	2.6	97
95	Camden	2	7,265	2.8	2.8	94
94	Stokes	13	46,771	2.8	2.8	93
93	Gates	3	10,726	2.8	2.8	92
92	Alexander	10	35,292	2.8	3.8	87
91	Hoke	11	37,438	2.9	3.3	90

According to the national AMA data (see Table 5 on page 14), which, as mentioned on the previous page, has differences in data collection and timing of collection, there were 8.0 primary care physicians per 10,000 population on average in the United States at the beginning of 2002. This compares to a ratio in North Carolina of 7.6 primary care physicians per 10,000 population¹⁶. Tennessee and Virginia had larger numbers of primary care physicians per 10,000 population than North Carolina (with ratios of 7.9 and 8.3 respectively), and Georgia and South Carolina had smaller ratios (with ratios of 7.0 and 7.3 respectively).

Dentists per 10,000 Population Ratio

North Carolina had 4.1 dentists per 10,000 population in 2003, remaining the same as last year. National statistics show a ratio of 6.5 dentists per 10,000 population in 2003¹⁷. Caution should be used in comparing these national figures to the ratios shown elsewhere in the book because of differences in the data collection efforts of the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Tables 8 and 9 report the counties with the ten largest and ten smallest supply of dentists per 10,000 population ratios in 2003. The four counties tied for 100—Camden, Hyde, Jones and Tyrrell—have not had a dentist with a primary practice location in the county since 1995.

¹⁶ Area Resource File, Federal Bureau of Health Professions, National Center for Health Workforce Information and Analysis, data from AMA Masterfile, effective 12/31/02; U.S. Census Bureau "State Population Estimates and Estimated Components of Change" July 1, 2002 resident total population estimates by state
<http://eire.census.gov/popest/states_dataset.csv> Internet Release Date: December 31, 2003. National resident total population estimates "Table NA-EST2002-01 - National Population Estimates: April 1, 2000 to July 1, 2003"
<<http://eire.census.gov/popest/data/national/tables/NA-EST2002-01.php>> December 31, 2003.

¹⁷ Bureau of Labor Statistics; "Employed persons by detailed occupation, sex, race, and Hispanic origin;"
<ftp://ftp.bls.gov/pub/special.requests/lf/aat11.txt>; (accessed: 01 July 2004). National resident total population estimates "Table NA-EST2002-01 - National Population Estimates: April 1, 2000 to July 1, 2003"
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(accessed: 01 July 2004).

Table 8: Counties with the Largest Dentists per 10,000 Population Ratio, 2003 vs. 2002

2003 Rank	County	2003 Total Dentists	2003 Total Population	2003 Dentists per 10,000 Population	2002 Dentists per 10,000 Population	2002 Rank
1	Orange	135	125,372	10.8	9.9	1
2	New Hanover	122	171,279	7.1	6.9	2
3	Wake	448	702,662	6.4	6.4	3
4	Mecklenburg	460	755,021	6.1	6.2	4
5	Durham	143	234,780	6.1	6.0	5
6	Buncombe	127	215,496	5.9	5.7	6
7	Forsyth	187	318,751	5.9	5.6	7
8	Dare	19	32,440	5.9	5.4	11
9	Carteret	34	60,712	5.6	5.3	12
10	Guilford	229	440,793	5.2	5.3	9

Table 9: Counties with the Smallest Dentists per 10,000 Population Ratio, 2003 vs. 2002

2003 Rank	County	2003 Total Dentists	2003 Total Population	2003 Dentists per 10,000 Population	2002 Dentists per 10,000 Population	2002 Rank
100	Tyrrell	0	4,219	0.0	0.0	100
100	Jones	0	10,465	0.0	0.0	100
100	Hyde	0	5,830	0.0	0.0	100
100	Camden	0	7,265	0.0	0.0	100
96	Northampton	1	22,207	0.5	0.5	96
95	Bertie	1	19,649	0.5	0.5	95
94	Franklin	4	51,079	0.8	0.9	86
93	Gates	1	10,726	0.9	0.9	93
92	Currituck	2	19,726	1.0	1.0	92
91	Stokes	5	46,771	1.1	1.2	89

Registered Nurses per 10,000 Population Ratio

The average number of registered nurses (RNs) per 10,000 population increased slightly between 2002 and 2003, from 89.9 to 90.0. North Carolina's supply of RNs per 10,000 population is in front of the most current national statistic of 84.2 RNs per 10,000 population in 2003¹⁸. Caution should be used in comparing these national figures to the ratios shown elsewhere in the book because of differences in the data collection efforts of the Bureau of Labor Statistics¹⁹. Tables 10 and 11 represent the counties with the largest and the smallest registered nurses per 10,000 population ratios in year 2003.

Table 10: Counties with the Largest RNs per 10,000 Population Ratio, 2003 vs. 2002

2003 Rank	County	2003 Total Registered Nurses	2003 Total Population	2003 Registered Nurses per 10,000 Population	2002 Registered Nurses per 10,000 Population	2002 Rank
1	Durham	4,798	234,780	204.4	202.4	1
2	Orange	2,401	125,372	191.5	191.5	2
3	Pitt	2,499	139,521	179.1	178.7	3
4	Buncombe	3,408	215,496	158.1	159.1	4
5	Forsyth	4,985	318,751	156.4	149.8	5
6	New Hanover	2,404	171,279	140.4	137.5	6
7	Pasquotank	460	35,678	128.9	125.0	8
8	Moore	1,017	79,368	128.1	129.2	7
9	Mecklenburg	8,747	755,021	115.9	116.2	9
10	Hertford	256	22,289	114.9	113.3	10

Table 11: Counties with the Smallest RNs per 10,000 Population Ratio, 2003 vs. 2002

2003 Rank	County	2003 Total Registered Nurses	2003 Total Population	2003 Registered Nurses per 10,000 Population	2002 Registered Nurses per 10,000 Population	2002 Rank
100	Gates	22	10,726	20.5	17.0	100
99	Alexander	77	35,292	21.8	22.8	98
98	Caswell	54	24,310	22.2	28.3	96
97	Currituck	48	19,726	24.3	32.1	92
96	Warren	51	20,537	24.8	24.2	97
95	Hoke	93	37,438	24.8	21.9	99
94	Jones	28	10,465	26.8	38.5	77
93	Stokes	134	46,771	28.7	28.9	95
92	Northampton	64	22,207	28.8	33.0	88
91	Yadkin	111	37,971	29.2	33.0	89

¹⁸ Prior to 2000, RN and LPN licensure renewals occurred in December of each year. The 2002 data is the first year that reflects a shift to renewal by birth month that occurred in 2000. Numbers for 2002 are lower than usual because they reflect individuals who left the file in the 22 months between January 2001 and October 2002. For a full explanation of the effect the renewal had on the 2002 licensure data see the Introduction.

¹⁹ Bureau of Labor Statistics; "Employed persons by detailed occupation, sex, race, and Hispanic origin," <ftp://ftp.bls.gov/pub/special.requests/lf/aat11.txt>; (accessed: 01 July 2004). National resident total population estimates "Table NA-EST2002-01 - National Population Estimates: April 1, 2000 to July 1, 2003" <<http://eire.census.gov/popest/data/national/tables/NA-EST2002-01.php>> December 31, 2003. (accessed: 01 July 2004).

Pharmacists per 10,000 Population Ratio

On average, the state had 8.5 licensed pharmacists per 10,000 population in 2003; this is a slight drop from the 8.6 ratio of pharmacists per population seen in 2001 and 2002. The national ratio in 2002 was 8.0 pharmacists per 10,000 population.²⁰ Again, the reader is cautioned to use care in comparing these national figures to the ratios shown elsewhere in the book because of differences in the data collection efforts of the Bureau of Labor Statistics. See Tables 12 and 13 for the North Carolina counties ranking the highest and lowest pharmacists to population ratios.

Table 12: Counties with the Largest Pharmacist per 10,000 Population Ratio, 2003 vs. 2002

2003 Rank	County	2003 Total Pharmacists	2003 Total Population	2003 Pharmacists per 10,000 Population	2002 Pharmacists per 10,000 Population	2002 Rank
1	Durham	615	234,780	26.2	28.2	1
2	Orange	232	125,372	18.5	19.6	2
3	Lenoir	83	59,735	13.9	14.4	3
4	Pitt	182	139,521	13.0	14.0	4
5	Forsyth	395	318,751	12.4	12.0	5
6	Buncombe	252	215,496	11.7	11.1	7
7	New Hanover	184	171,279	10.7	11.4	6
8	Wake	738	702,662	10.5	10.6	8
9	Cherokee	25	25,460	9.8	9.6	12
10	Guilford	424	440,793	9.6	9.9	9

Table 13: Counties with the Smallest Pharmacist per 10,000 Population Ratio, 2003 vs. 2002

2003 Rank	County	2003 Total Pharmacists	2003 Total Population	2003 Pharmacists per 10,000 Population	2002 Pharmacists per 10,000 Population	2002 Rank
100	Hyde	0	5,830	0.0	0.0	100
100	Camden	0	7,265	0.0	0.0	100
98	Currituck	3	19,726	1.5	1.0	98
97	Northampton	4	22,207	1.8	2.3	95
96	Gates	2	10,726	1.9	1.9	97
95	Jones	2	10,465	1.9	1.9	96
94	Greene	4	19,878	2.0	3.1	88
93	Tyrrell	1	4,219	2.4	2.4	94
92	Bertie	5	19,649	2.5	3.0	89
91	Alleghany	3	10,978	2.7	4.6	75

²⁰ Bureau of Labor Statistics; "Employed persons by detailed occupation, sex, race, and Hispanic origin;" <ftp://ftp.bls.gov/pub/special.requests/lf/aat11.txt>; (accessed: 01 July 2004). National resident total population estimates "Table NA-EST2002-01 - National Population Estimates: April 1, 2000 to July 1, 2003" <<http://eire.census.gov/popest/data/national/tables/NA-EST2002-01.php>> December 31, 2003. (accessed: 01 July 2004).

Active Health Professionals per 10,000 Population Ratios for All Counties

Table 14 reports year 2003 data for selected active health professionals per 10,000 population ratios for physicians, primary care physicians,²¹ dentists, registered nurses, and pharmacists for all counties listed in alphabetical order.

Table 14: Active Health Professionals per 10,000 Population Ratios, 2003

County	2003 Total Population	2003 Physicians per 10,000 Population	2003 Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	2003 Dentists per 10,000 Population	2003 Registered Nurses per 10,000 Population	2003 Pharmacists per 10,000 Population
Alamance	138,471	12.9	5.4	4.0	58.4	7.4
Alexander	35,292	3.4	2.8	2.3	21.8	4.3
Alleghany	10,978	11.8	10.0	1.8	73.8	2.7
Anson	25,671	7.4	4.3	1.6	47.9	3.9
Ashe	25,142	10.3	7.2	2.0	49.7	7.6
Avery	17,980	16.7	8.3	2.8	79.0	9.5
Beaufort	45,792	14.4	6.6	2.8	81.9	7.0
Bertie	19,649	6.6	5.6	0.5	53.9	2.5
Bladen	33,222	7.8	6.0	1.5	47.3	4.2
Brunswick	80,751	9.4	4.6	2.4	49.3	6.9
Buncombe	215,496	33.1	13.7	5.9	158.1	11.7
Burke	91,943	18.6	7.7	3.3	97.3	8.2
Cabarrus	143,306	21.2	9.6	2.7	97.1	8.9
Caldwell	78,856	10.3	5.8	2.5	48.6	4.6
Camden	7,265	4.1	2.8	0.0	34.4	0.0
Carteret	60,712	15.0	7.2	5.6	72.1	8.2
Caswell	24,310	4.9	4.1	1.6	22.2	2.9
Catawba	149,750	21.9	8.8	4.0	106.6	8.8
Chatham	52,976	6.6	5.3	1.5	39.8	5.3
Cherokee	25,460	14.9	9.0	3.9	86.4	9.8
Chowan	14,710	18.4	8.8	2.0	87.7	6.8
Clay	9,255	6.5	5.4	3.2	57.3	5.4
Cleveland	99,032	14.7	7.6	3.3	80.0	5.9
Columbus	55,961	10.0	4.8	2.0	82.0	7.7
Craven	93,236	21.2	7.8	4.4	94.2	6.9
Cumberland	308,620	14.6	6.7	3.4	70.9	5.9
Currituck	19,726	3.0	2.5	1.0	24.3	1.5
Dare	32,440	13.3	8.3	5.9	68.7	9.6
Davidson	153,152	7.9	4.7	1.9	46.2	5.5
Davie	37,535	5.3	3.5	2.4	31.4	6.1
Duplin	51,812	6.0	4.8	1.9	50.0	5.8
Durham	234,780	68.0	21.9	6.1	204.4	26.2
Edgecombe	54,547	6.8	4.0	1.5	51.7	3.8
Forsyth	318,751	39.2	12.7	5.9	156.4	12.4
Franklin	51,079	5.5	3.1	0.8	36.6	3.9
Gaston	194,094	17.0	7.5	3.4	69.8	7.8
Gates	10,726	2.8	2.8	0.9	20.5	1.9
Graham	8,181	3.7	3.7	2.4	39.1	4.9
Granville	51,605	14.7	5.8	2.7	96.1	8.5

²¹ Primary care physicians are those who report their primary specialty as family practice, general practice, internal medicine, pediatrics, or obstetrics/gynecology.

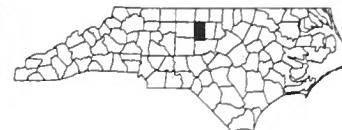
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County	2003 Total Population	2003 Physicians per 10,000 Population	2003 Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	2003 Dentists per 10,000 Population	2003 Registered Nurses per 10,000 Population	2003 Pharmacists per 10,000 Population
Greene	19,878	2.5	2.5	2.0	33.2	2.0
Guilford	440,793	22.6	9.1	5.2	105.9	9.6
Halifax	57,335	13.6	7.0	1.7	72.7	6.3
Harnett	98,908	6.6	4.8	2.1	35.8	5.9
Haywood	55,886	18.1	7.7	3.8	70.1	7.5
Henderson	95,314	24.7	11.2	4.1	96.1	6.9
Hertford	22,289	17.5	7.6	3.6	114.9	8.1
Hoke	37,438	3.5	2.9	1.6	24.8	4.3
Hyde	5,830	3.4	3.4	0.0	36.0	0.0
Iredell	133,838	18.5	7.3	4.6	107.4	9.3
Jackson	34,729	21.9	10.9	3.2	90.4	4.9
Johnston	136,802	6.9	4.3	1.9	35.8	6.4
Jones	10,465	22.0	14.3	0.0	26.8	1.9
Lee	51,137	17.0	8.2	4.3	65.7	7.2
Lenoir	59,735	20.1	8.2	4.0	91.9	13.9
Lincoln	68,185	8.8	5.6	2.2	38.6	6.5
McDowell	44,166	7.9	4.8	2.0	58.6	5.4
Macon	31,670	21.2	10.1	3.2	72.9	7.6
Madison	20,316	6.9	6.4	1.5	32.5	3.4
Martin	25,450	7.5	5.1	2.0	49.9	7.5
Mecklenburg	755,021	24.5	9.6	6.1	115.9	9.6
Mitchell	16,028	13.7	9.4	3.7	84.2	8.1
Montgomery	27,735	4.3	3.2	1.8	37.5	4.3
Moore	79,368	27.8	8.7	5.2	128.1	9.1
Nash	90,443	18.7	8.1	4.6	97.1	6.4
New Hanover	171,279	32.0	12.3	7.1	140.4	10.7
Northampton	22,207	4.1	3.2	0.5	28.8	1.8
Onslow	150,633	8.2	3.9	3.1	50.6	4.2
Orange	125,372	90.1	33.8	10.8	191.5	18.5
Pamlico	13,144	6.8	6.1	3.0	38.8	3.8
Pasquotank	35,678	27.2	10.7	3.6	128.9	8.7
Pender	44,548	4.3	2.5	2.0	36.1	6.1
Perquimans	11,678	1.7	1.7	1.7	31.7	3.4
Person	37,192	8.3	4.6	2.4	48.9	7.0
Pitt	139,521	42.7	16.8	3.7	179.1	13.0
Polk	19,541	11.8	6.1	3.6	81.9	6.7
Randolph	137,495	8.9	5.1	2.5	36.3	4.0
Richmond	46,854	10.9	7.3	3.0	79.6	6.6
Robeson	127,972	10.5	5.9	1.9	57.0	5.6
Rockingham	92,983	10.8	5.5	2.8	57.5	7.3
Rowan	136,122	11.0	5.3	3.5	71.0	7.2
Rutherford	64,513	12.9	6.8	2.6	65.9	5.9
Sampson	63,983	7.2	3.9	1.4	53.5	5.3
Scotland	36,248	15.2	8.6	2.5	86.9	7.7
Stanly	60,045	13.5	7.5	2.5	65.0	6.2
Stokes	46,771	3.4	2.8	1.1	28.7	4.1
Surry	73,436	15.0	8.4	3.4	76.0	6.9
Swain	13,529	15.5	13.3	1.5	70.2	3.0
Transylvania	30,049	14.0	8.3	3.0	76.5	6.0
Tyrrell	4,219	2.4	2.4	0.0	30.8	2.4
Union	140,028	9.1	4.8	2.0	43.8	4.0
Vance	44,489	14.2	7.0	2.5	59.6	7.4

2003 N.C. Health Professions Data Book

County	2003 Total Population	2003 Physicians per 10,000 Population	2003 Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	2003 Dentists per 10,000 Population	2003 Registered Nurses per 10,000 Population	2003 Pharmacists per 10,000 Population
Wake	702,662	21.3	9.3	6.4	97.7	10.5
Warren	20,537	3.9	3.4	2.4	24.8	3.9
Washington	13,529	5.9	3.7	2.2	45.1	4.4
Watauga	43,632	20.9	8.9	5.0	81.8	7.8
Wayne	115,168	15.5	6.9	3.7	82.7	7.6
Wilkes	67,331	9.5	5.2	2.7	64.5	5.0
Wilson	75,998	14.2	6.1	2.8	76.6	9.5
Yadkin	37,971	4.5	4.2	1.6	29.2	3.4
Yancey	18,422	8.1	8.1	2.2	35.8	3.3
State Total	8,485,802	20.1	8.6	4.1	90.0	8.5

**NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY AND REGIONAL
HEALTH PROFESSIONS
AND
RELATED HEALTH STATISTICS**



■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	179
Primary Care Physicians	75
Family Practice	27
General Practice	1
Internal Medicine	25
Obstetrics/Gynecology	7
Pediatrics	15
Other Specialties	104
Physicians per 10,000 Population	12.9
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.4
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	56
Dental Hygienists	66

Nurses

Registered Nurses	809
Nurse Practitioners	21
Certified Nurse Midwives	5
Licensed Practical Nurses	206

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	17
Optometrists	17
Pharmacists	102
Physical Therapists	66
Physical Therapist Assistants	10
Physician Assistants	23
Podiatrists	2
Practicing Psychologists	9
Psychological Associates	5

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	109,404	28,777	64,614	16,013
Nonwhite	29,067	9,256	17,008	2,803
Total	138,471	38,033	81,622	18,816
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.5%	58.9%	13.6%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	73,110
Employed 2003	67,875
Unemployed 2003	5,235
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	7.2
Per Capita Income 2002	\$26,459
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	20,426

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	1,814	Total Pregnancies	2,244	Total Pregnancy Rate	66.8
Resident Deaths	1,283	Teen Pregnancies	326	Teen Pregnancy Rate	66.8
% Births <2500 gms	7.8	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	10.5	White	7.6	Nonwhite	21.7
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	14,732	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	182	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	872
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	12
Primary Care Physicians	10
Family Practice	8
General Practice	0
Internal Medicine	2
Obstetrics/Gynecology	0
Pediatrics	0
Other Specialties	2
Physicians per 10,000 Population	3.4
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	2.8
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	8
Dental Hygienists	14

Nurses

Registered Nurses	77
Nurse Practitioners	0
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	35

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	3
Optometrists	1
Pharmacists	15
Physical Therapists	4
Physical Therapist Assistants	1
Physician Assistants	4
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	0

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	33,038	8,740	20,282	4,016
Nonwhite	2,254	761	1,253	240
Total	35,292	9,501	21,535	4,256
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.9%	61.0%	12.1%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	17,421
Employed 2003	16,026
Unemployed 2003	1,395
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	8.0
Per Capita Income 2002	\$24,299
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	5,542

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	401	Total Pregnancies	452	Total Pregnancy Rate	58.3
Resident Deaths	262	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	61	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	56.4
% Births <2500 gms	6.0				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	5.0	White	5.4	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	3,794	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	25	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	183
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	13
Primary Care Physicians	11
<i>Family Practice</i>	9
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	2
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	0
<i>Pediatrics</i>	0
Other Specialties	2
Physicians per 10,000 Population	11.8
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	10.0
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	2
Dental Hygienists	6

Nurses

Registered Nurses	81
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	2
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	23

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	0
Optometrists	2
Pharmacists	3
Physical Therapists	3
Physical Therapist Assistants	4
Physician Assistants	5
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	0

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	10,782	2,302	6,397	2,083
Nonwhite	196	35	148	13
Total	10,978	2,337	6,545	2,096
% of Pop.	100.0%	21.3%	59.6%	19.1%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	4,936
Employed 2003	4,448
Unemployed 2003	488
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	9.9
Per Capita Income 2002	\$24,328
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	2,030

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	100	Total Pregnancies	108	Total Pregnancy Rate	52.2
Resident Deaths	157	Teen Pregnancies	13	Teen Pregnancy Rate	47.4
% Births <2500 gms	12.0	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	10.0	White	10.3	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	1,768	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	46	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	90
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Charlotte

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	19
Primary Care Physicians	11
Family Practice	4
General Practice	1
Internal Medicine	4
Obstetrics/Gynecology	0
Pediatrics	2
Other Specialties	8
Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.4
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	4.3
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	4
Dental Hygienists	3

Nurses

Registered Nurses	123
Nurse Practitioners	2
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	69

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	1
Optometrists	1
Pharmacists	10
Physical Therapists	1
Physical Therapist Assistants	5
Physician Assistants	6
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	4

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	12,668	2,835	7,495	2,338
Nonwhite	13,003	4,080	7,659	1,264
Total	25,671	6,915	15,154	3,602
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.9%	59.0%	14.0%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	10,889
Employed 2003	9,689
Unemployed 2003	1,200
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	11.0
Per Capita Income 2002	\$22,066
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	6,778

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	321	Total Pregnancies	382	Total Pregnancy Rate	69.4
Resident Deaths	307	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	63	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	74.7
% Births <2500 gms	7.2				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	6.2	White	6.3	Nonwhite	6.2
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	4,182	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	52	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	161
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⁺⁺Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	26
Primary Care Physicians	18
<i>Family Practice</i>	12
<i>General Practice</i>	1
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	2
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	1
<i>Pediatrics</i>	2
Other Specialties	8
Physicians per 10,000 Population	10.3
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.2
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	5
Dental Hygienists	4

Nurses

Registered Nurses	125
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	4
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	58

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	5
Optometrists	3
Pharmacists	19
Physical Therapists	8
Physical Therapist Assistants	6
Physician Assistants	3
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	1
Psychological Associates	3

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	24,775	5,248	14,969	4,558
Nonwhite	367	115	220	32
Total	25,142	5,363	15,189	4,590
% of Pop.	100.0%	21.3%	60.4%	18.3%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	11,975
Employed 2003	11,122
Unemployed 2003	853
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	7.1
Per Capita Income 2002	\$23,853
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	4,850

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	219	Total Pregnancies	249	Total Pregnancy Rate	50.5
Resident Deaths	292	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	39	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	60.0
% Births <2500 gms	6.8				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	13.7	White	14.0	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	3,499	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	76	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	210
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	30
Primary Care Physicians	15
<i>Family Practice</i>	10
<i>General Practice</i>	1
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	3
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	1
<i>Pediatrics</i>	0
Other Specialties	15
Physicians per 10,000 Population	16.7
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.3
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	5
Dental Hygienists	5

Nurses

Registered Nurses	142
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	5
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	52

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	0
Optometrists	0
Pharmacists	17
Physical Therapists	7
Physical Therapist Assistants	6
Physician Assistants	0
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	2
Psychological Associates	2

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	17,098	3,821	10,444	2,833
Nonwhite	882	86	777	19
Total	17,980	3,907	11,221	2,852
% of Pop.	100.0%	21.7%	62.4%	15.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	8,651
Employed 2003	8,282
Unemployed 2003	369
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	4.3
Per Capita Income 2002	\$22,876
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	3,120

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	161	Total Pregnancies	183	Total Pregnancy Rate	50.6
Resident Deaths	201	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	28	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	52.6
% Births <2500 gms	7.5				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	6.2	White	6.2	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	2,286	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	40	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	128
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	66
Primary Care Physicians	30
Family Practice	10
General Practice	1
Internal Medicine	11
Obstetrics/Gynecology	2
Pediatrics	6
Other Specialties	36
Physicians per 10,000 Population	14.4
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.6
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	13
Dental Hygienists	15

Nurses

Registered Nurses	375
Nurse Practitioners	9
Certified Nurse Midwives	2
Licensed Practical Nurses	95

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	5
Optometrists	7
Pharmacists	32
Physical Therapists	12
Physical Therapist Assistants	15
Physician Assistants	8
Podiatrists	4
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	3

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	32,228	7,164	19,523	5,541
Nonwhite	13,564	4,194	7,568	1,802
Total	45,792	11,358	27,091	7,343
% of Pop.	100.0%	24.8%	59.2%	16.0%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	18,892
Employed 2003	17,054
Unemployed 2003	1,838
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	9.7
Per Capita Income 2002	\$22,311
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	10,781

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	631	Total Pregnancies	716	Total Pregnancy Rate	73.8
Resident Deaths	526	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	95	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	67.0
% Births <2500 gms	8.4				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	15.8	White	14.5	Nonwhite	18.4
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	6,186	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	159	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	300
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	13
Primary Care Physicians	11
Family Practice	8
General Practice	0
Internal Medicine	2
Obstetrics/Gynecology	1
Pediatrics	0
Other Specialties	2
Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.6
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.6
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	1
Dental Hygienists	0

Nurses

Registered Nurses	106
Nurse Practitioners	1
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	39

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	0
Optometrists	1
Pharmacists	5
Physical Therapists	1
Physical Therapist Assistants	2
Physician Assistants	6
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	0

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	7,126	1,455	4,186	1,485
Nonwhite	12,523	3,803	7,002	1,718
Total	19,649	5,258	11,188	3,203
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.8%	56.9%	16.3%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	8,671
Employed 2003	8,006
Unemployed 2003	665
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	7.7
Per Capita Income 2002	\$21,293
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	6,541

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	255	Total Pregnancies	290	Total Pregnancy Rate	64.1
Resident Deaths	262	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	51	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	70.4
% Births <2500 gms	12.9				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	11.8	White	0.0	Nonwhite	16.5
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	2,703	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	6	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	142
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Southern Regional

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	26
Primary Care Physicians	20
Family Practice	12
General Practice	2
Internal Medicine	6
Obstetrics/Gynecology	0
Pediatrics	0
Other Specialties	6
Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.8
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.0
Federal Physicians**	1

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	5
Dental Hygienists	6

Nurses

Registered Nurses	157
Nurse Practitioners	7
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	77

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	2
Optometrists	2
Pharmacists	14
Physical Therapists	1
Physical Therapist Assistants	5
Physician Assistants	6
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	1
Psychological Associates	1

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	19,764	4,677	12,003	3,084
Nonwhite	13,458	4,175	7,631	1,652
Total	33,222	8,852	19,634	4,736
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.6%	59.1%	14.3%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	20,107
Employed 2003	18,729
Unemployed 2003	1,378
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.9
Per Capita Income 2002	\$20,936
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	10,005

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	434	Total Pregnancies	503	Total Pregnancy Rate	67.5
Resident Deaths	393	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	93	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	86.4
% Births <2500 gms	8.1				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	11.5	White	7.7	Nonwhite	17.3
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	4,199	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	48	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	194
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Coastal

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	76
Primary Care Physicians	37
<i>Family Practice</i>	18
<i>General Practice</i>	1
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	10
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	4
<i>Pediatrics</i>	4
Other Specialties	39
Physicians per 10,000 Population	9.4
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	4.6
Federal Physicians**	1

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	19
Dental Hygienists	27

Nurses

Registered Nurses	398
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	8
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	193

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	17
Optometrists	8
Pharmacists	56
Physical Therapists	23
Physical Therapist Assistants	8
Physician Assistants	21
Podiatrists	2
Practicing Psychologists	3
Psychological Associates	3

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	68,252	14,232	41,251	12,769
Nonwhite	12,499	4,035	7,198	1,266
Total	80,751	18,267	48,449	14,035
% of Pop.	100.0%	22.6%	60.0%	17.4%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	37,823
Employed 2003	35,532
Unemployed 2003	2,291
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.1
Per Capita Income 2002	\$23,908
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	15,533

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	813	Total Pregnancies	981	Total Pregnancy Rate	62.9
Resident Deaths	729	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	141	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	63.7
% Births <2500 gms	9.5				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	4.9	White	5.8	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	10,417	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	96	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	419
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

Buncombe



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Mountain

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	713
Primary Care Physicians	296
Family Practice	114
General Practice	7
Internal Medicine	89
Obstetrics/Gynecology	45
Pediatrics	41
Other Specialties	417
Physicians per 10,000 Population	33.1
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	13.7
Federal Physicians**	48

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	127
Dental Hygienists	150

Nurses

Registered Nurses	3,408
Nurse Practitioners	94
Certified Nurse Midwives	9
Licensed Practical Nurses	719

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	56
Optometrists	30
Pharmacists	252
Physical Therapists	188
Physical Therapist Assistants	60
Physician Assistants	100
Podiatrists	9
Practicing Psychologists	91
Psychological Associates	62

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	195,185	45,659	119,159	30,367
Nonwhite	20,311	6,520	11,779	2,012
Total	215,496	52,179	130,938	32,379
% of Pop.	100.0%	24.2%	60.8%	15.0%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	110,703
Employed 2003	106,413
Unemployed 2003	4,290
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	3.9
Per Capita Income 2002	\$27,288
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	34,942

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	2,564	Total Pregnancies	3,172	Total Pregnancy Rate	64.8
Resident Deaths	2,193	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	413	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	64.0
% Births <2500 gms	10.5				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.0	White	5.7	Nonwhite	16.6
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	22,200	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	716	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	1,668
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	171
Primary Care Physicians	71
Family Practice	36
General Practice	4
Internal Medicine	14
Obstetrics/Gynecology	9
Pediatrics	8
Other Specialties	100
Physicians per 10,000 Population	18.6
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.7
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	30
Dental Hygienists	30

Nurses

Registered Nurses	895
Nurse Practitioners	15
Certified Nurse Midwives	4
Licensed Practical Nurses	151

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	10
Optometrists	4
Pharmacists	75
Physical Therapists	28
Physical Therapist Assistants	29
Physician Assistants	19
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	35
Psychological Associates	43

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	80,630	19,930	49,084	11,616
Nonwhite	11,313	4,760	5,747	806
Total	91,943	24,690	54,831	12,422
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.9%	59.6%	13.5%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	43,110
Employed 2003	39,606
Unemployed 2003	3,504
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	8.1
Per Capita Income 2002	\$23,890
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	16,095

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	1,047	Total Pregnancies	1,179	Total Pregnancy Rate	60.4
Resident Deaths	792	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	189	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	66.9
% Births <2500 gms	8.0				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	6.7	White	5.5	Nonwhite	13.8
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	10,586	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	354	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	556
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Charlotte

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	304
Primary Care Physicians	137
Family Practice	53
General Practice	1
Internal Medicine	46
Obstetrics/Gynecology	13
Pediatrics	24
Other Specialties	167
Physicians per 10,000 Population	21.2
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	9.6
Federal Physicians**	1

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	39
Dental Hygienists	71

Nurses

Registered Nurses	1,391
Nurse Practitioners	34
Certified Nurse Midwives	5
Licensed Practical Nurses	195

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	32
Optometrists	12
Pharmacists	127
Physical Therapists	35
Physical Therapist Assistants	42
Physician Assistants	26
Podiatrists	3
Practicing Psychologists	16
Psychological Associates	21

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	122,940	33,946	74,682	14,312
Nonwhite	20,366	7,149	11,648	1,569
Total	143,306	41,095	86,330	15,881
% of Pop.	100.0%	28.7%	60.2%	11.1%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	77,433
Employed 2003	71,228
Unemployed 2003	6,205
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	8.0
Per Capita Income 2002	\$29,733
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	19,996

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	2,190	Total Pregnancies	2,546	Total Pregnancy Rate	75.6
Resident Deaths	1,150	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	308	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	66.3
% Births <2500 gms	8.7				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.3	White	5.5	Nonwhite	16.4
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	16,797	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	447	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	691
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	81
Primary Care Physicians	46
Family Practice	23
General Practice	2
Internal Medicine	9
Obstetrics/Gynecology	6
Pediatrics	6
Other Specialties	35
Physicians per 10,000 Population	10.3
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.8
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	20
Dental Hygienists	26

Nurses

Registered Nurses	383
Nurse Practitioners	13
Certified Nurse Midwives	6
Licensed Practical Nurses	101

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	4
Optometrists	4
Pharmacists	36
Physical Therapists	16
Physical Therapist Assistants	20
Physician Assistants	12
Podiatrists	2
Practicing Psychologists	1
Psychological Associates	5

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	73,546	18,484	44,799	10,263
Nonwhite	5,310	1,842	2,950	518
Total	78,856	20,326	47,749	10,781
% of Pop.	100.0%	25.8%	60.6%	13.7%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	39,576
Employed 2003	35,707
Unemployed 2003	3,869
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	9.8
Per Capita Income 2002	\$25,235
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	14,079

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	943	Total Pregnancies	1,045	Total Pregnancy Rate	60.6
Resident Deaths	789	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	136	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	58.0
% Births <2500 gms	9.8				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	9.5	White	10.2	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	10,015	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	110	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	410
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	3
Primary Care Physicians	2
Family Practice	2
General Practice	0
Internal Medicine	0
Obstetrics/Gynecology	0
Pediatrics	0
Other Specialties	1
Physicians per 10,000 Population	4.1
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	2.8
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	0
Dental Hygienists	2

Nurses

Registered Nurses	25
Nurse Practitioners	0
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	3

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	0
Optometrists	0
Pharmacists	0
Physical Therapists	0
Physical Therapist Assistants	0
Physician Assistants	0
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	0

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	5,981	1,549	3,669	763
Nonwhite	1,284	321	754	209
Total	7,265	1,870	4,423	972
% of Pop.	100.0%	25.7%	60.9%	13.4%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	3,833
Employed 2003	3,721
Unemployed 2003	112
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	2.9
Per Capita Income 2002	\$25,896
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	999

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	72	Total Pregnancies	87	Total Pregnancy Rate	53.0
Resident Deaths	68	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	12	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	45.8
% Births <2500 gms	8.3				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	0.0	White	0.0	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	505	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	0	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	0
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	91
Primary Care Physicians	44
Family Practice	17
General Practice	6
Internal Medicine	9
Obstetrics/Gynecology	8
Pediatrics	4
Other Specialties	47
Physicians per 10,000 Population	15.0
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.2
Federal Physicians**	2

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	34
Dental Hygienists	36

Nurses

Registered Nurses	438
Nurse Practitioners	20
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	179

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	12
Optometrists	9
Pharmacists	50
Physical Therapists	26
Physical Therapist Assistants	7
Physician Assistants	15
Podiatrists	2
Practicing Psychologists	8
Psychological Associates	1

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	55,515	11,550	33,643	10,322
Nonwhite	5,197	1,545	3,102	550
Total	60,712	13,095	36,745	10,872
% of Pop.	100.0%	21.6%	60.5%	17.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	29,560
Employed 2003	28,059
Unemployed 2003	1,501
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	5.1
Per Capita Income 2002	\$27,713
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	9,091

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	577	Total Pregnancies	703	Total Pregnancy Rate	58.8
Resident Deaths	671	Teen Pregnancies	90	Teen Pregnancy Rate	48.8
% Births <2500 gms	7.5	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	5.2	White	5.8	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	7,894	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	117	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	424
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Greensboro

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	12
Primary Care Physicians	10
Family Practice	7
General Practice	0
Internal Medicine	3
Obstetrics/Gynecology	0
Pediatrics	0
Other Specialties	2
Physicians per 10,000 Population	4.9
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	4.1
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	4
Dental Hygienists	3

Nurses

Registered Nurses	54
Nurse Practitioners	5
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	36

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	0
Optometrists	2
Pharmacists	7
Physical Therapists	4
Physical Therapist Assistants	1
Physician Assistants	3
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	1
Psychological Associates	1

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	15,405	3,829	9,506	2,070
Nonwhite	8,905	2,242	5,554	1,109
Total	24,310	6,071	15,060	3,179
% of Pop.	100.0%	25.0%	61.9%	13.1%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	11,592
Employed 2003	10,569
Unemployed 2003	1,023
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	8.8
Per Capita Income 2002	\$21,581
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	4,640

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	267	Total Pregnancies	313	Total Pregnancy Rate	63.1
Resident Deaths	260	Teen Pregnancies	45	Teen Pregnancy Rate	61.1
% Births <2500 gms	6.4	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	3.7	White	5.2	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	1,171	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	0	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	137
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** Includes NC Medical Board licensed federal physicians in the armed services, US Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

⁺Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

⁺⁺Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	328
Primary Care Physicians	132
Family Practice	64
General Practice	1
Internal Medicine	36
Obstetrics/Gynecology	20
Pediatrics	11
Other Specialties	196
Physicians per 10,000 Population	21.9
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.8
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	60
Dental Hygienists	65

Nurses

Registered Nurses	1,597
Nurse Practitioners	56
Certified Nurse Midwives	10
Licensed Practical Nurses	273

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	21
Optometrists	18
Pharmacists	132
Physical Therapists	65
Physical Therapist Assistants	54
Physician Assistants	46
Podiatrists	7
Practicing Psychologists	14
Psychological Associates	22

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	130,391	32,916	80,374	17,101
Nonwhite	19,359	7,621	10,490	1,248
Total	149,750	40,537	90,864	18,349
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.1%	60.7%	12.3%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	77,121
Employed 2003	70,363
Unemployed 2003	6,758
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	8.8
Per Capita Income 2002	\$26,925
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	23,178

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	2,079	Total Pregnancies	2,391	Total Pregnancy Rate	69.6
Resident Deaths	1,260	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	301	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	66.1
% Births <2500 gms	8.6				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	5.8	White	4.0	Nonwhite	16.1
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	15,147	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	409	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	759
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Greensboro

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	35
Primary Care Physicians	28
<i>Family Practice</i>	17
<i>General Practice</i>	1
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	8
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	0
<i>Pediatrics</i>	2
Other Specialties	7
Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.6
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.3
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	8
Dental Hygienists	29

Nurses

Registered Nurses	211
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	19
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	89

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	4
Optometrists	5
Pharmacists	28
Physical Therapists	7
Physical Therapist Assistants	4
Physician Assistants	2
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	3
Psychological Associates	6

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	43,608	10,647	26,318	6,643
Nonwhite	9,368	2,470	5,638	1,260
Total	52,976	13,117	31,956	7,903
% of Pop.	100.0%	24.8%	60.3%	14.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	29,934
Employed 2003	28,594
Unemployed 2003	1,340
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	4.5
Per Capita Income 2002	\$35,151
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	6,774

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	696	Total Pregnancies	815	Total Pregnancy Rate	71.4
Resident Deaths	479	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	87	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	56.1
% Births <2500 gms	8.9				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.2	White	6.6	Nonwhite	10.6
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	4,534	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	68	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	340
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Mountain

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	38
Primary Care Physicians	23
Family Practice	7
General Practice	0
Internal Medicine	10
Obstetrics/Gynecology	2
Pediatrics	4
Other Specialties	15
Physicians per 10,000 Population	14.9
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	9.0
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	10
Dental Hygienists	12

Nurses

Registered Nurses	220
Nurse Practitioners	5
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	90

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	5
Optometrists	5
Pharmacists	25
Physical Therapists	9
Physical Therapist Assistants	7
Physician Assistants	8
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	3
Psychological Associates	4

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	24,466	5,277	14,196	4,993
Nonwhite	994	271	602	121
Total	25,460	5,548	14,798	5,114
% of Pop.	100.0%	21.8%	58.1%	20.1%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	10,345
Employed 2003	9,593
Unemployed 2003	752
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	7.3
Per Capita Income 2002	\$19,752
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	5,630

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	270	Total Pregnancies	300	Total Pregnancy Rate	63.1
Resident Deaths	325	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	48	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	67.3
% Births <2500 gms	8.5				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	3.7	White	3.8	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	2,813	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	110	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	210
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	27
Primary Care Physicians	13
<i>Family Practice</i>	5
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	3
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	2
<i>Pediatrics</i>	3
Other Specialties	14
Physicians per 10,000 Population	18.4
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.8
Federal Physicians**	1

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	3
Dental Hygienists	4

Nurses

Registered Nurses	129
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	3
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	2
Licensed Practical Nurses	46

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	3
Optometrists	1
Pharmacists	10
Physical Therapists	2
Physical Therapist Assistants	5
Physician Assistants	2
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	1

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	8,996	1,933	5,155	1,908
Nonwhite	5,714	1,830	3,158	726
Total	14,710	3,763	8,313	2,634
% of Pop.	100.0%	25.6%	56.5%	17.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	7,089
Employed 2003	6,761
Unemployed 2003	328
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	4.6
Per Capita Income 2002	\$24,743
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	3,614

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	187	Total Pregnancies	223	Total Pregnancy Rate	73.6
Resident Deaths	193	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	41	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	82.3
% Births <2500 gms	7.0				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	0.0	White	0.0	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	1,787	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	71	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	170
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Mountain

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	6
Primary Care Physicians	5
Family Practice	4
General Practice	0
Internal Medicine	0
Obstetrics/Gynecology	1
Pediatrics	0
Other Specialties	1
Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.5
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.4
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	3
Dental Hygienists	8

Nurses

Registered Nurses	53
Nurse Practitioners	1
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	23

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	0
Optometrists	1
Pharmacists	5
Physical Therapists	2
Physical Therapist Assistants	0
Physician Assistants	2
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	1

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	9,090	1,708	5,306	2,076
Nonwhite	165	47	101	17
Total	9,255	1,755	5,407	2,093
% of Pop.	100.0%	19.0%	58.4%	22.6%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	3,689
Employed 2003	3,536
Unemployed 2003	153
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	4.1
Per Capita Income 2002	\$21,625
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	1,763

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	90	Total Pregnancies	97	Total Pregnancy Rate	60.8
Resident Deaths	106	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	13	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	53.9
% Births <2500 gms	6.7				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	0.0	White	0.0	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	768	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	0	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	80
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Charlotte

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	146
Primary Care Physicians	75
Family Practice	29
General Practice	3
Internal Medicine	23
Obstetrics/Gynecology	8
Pediatrics	12
Other Specialties	71
Physicians per 10,000 Population	14.7
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.6
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	33
Dental Hygienists	55

Nurses

Registered Nurses	792
Nurse Practitioners	19
Certified Nurse Midwives	3
Licensed Practical Nurses	247

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	10
Optometrists	10
Pharmacists	58
Physical Therapists	26
Physical Therapist Assistants	17
Physician Assistants	15
Podiatrists	3
Practicing Psychologists	3
Psychological Associates	10

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	76,697	19,710	45,668	11,319
Nonwhite	22,335	7,739	12,671	1,925
Total	99,032	27,449	58,339	13,244
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.7%	58.9%	13.4%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	43,879
Employed 2003	39,331
Unemployed 2003	4,548
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	10.4
Per Capita Income 2002	\$23,020
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	21,106

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	1,202	Total Pregnancies	1,375	Total Pregnancy Rate	60.4
Resident Deaths	978	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	222	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	69.1
% Births <2500 gms	9.4				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	6.7	White	4.5	Nonwhite	13.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	13,299	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	373	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	544
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

Columbus



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Coastal

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	56
Primary Care Physicians	27
Family Practice	7
General Practice	0
Internal Medicine	15
Obstetrics/Gynecology	3
Pediatrics	2
Other Specialties	29
Physicians per 10,000 Population	10.0
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	4.8
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	11
Dental Hygienists	12

Nurses

Registered Nurses	459
Nurse Practitioners	14
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	135

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	7
Optometrists	4
Pharmacists	43
Physical Therapists	13
Physical Therapist Assistants	11
Physician Assistants	19
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	1
Psychological Associates	0

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	36,284	8,838	21,859	5,587
Nonwhite	19,677	6,453	11,045	2,179
Total	55,961	15,291	32,904	7,766
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.3%	58.8%	13.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	22,213
Employed 2003	20,282
Unemployed 2003	1,931
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	8.7
Per Capita Income 2002	\$22,273
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	17,388

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	771	Total Pregnancies	931	Total Pregnancy Rate	73.8
Resident Deaths	643	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	166	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	87.1
% Births <2500 gms	10.6				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	9.1	White	4.1	Nonwhite	17.9
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	8,280	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	166	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	323
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	198
Primary Care Physicians	73
Family Practice	12
General Practice	2
Internal Medicine	33
Obstetrics/Gynecology	8
Pediatrics	18
Other Specialties	125
Physicians per 10,000 Population	21.2
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.8
Federal Physicians**	13

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	41
Dental Hygienists	44

Nurses

Registered Nurses	878
Nurse Practitioners	28
Certified Nurse Midwives	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	248

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	13
Optometrists	12
Pharmacists	64
Physical Therapists	46
Physical Therapist Assistants	19
Physician Assistants	21
Podiatrists	3
Practicing Psychologists	13
Psychological Associates	16

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	67,162	16,665	40,052	10,445
Nonwhite	26,074	8,569	15,145	2,360
Total	93,236	25,234	55,197	12,805
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.1%	59.2%	13.7%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	38,318
Employed 2003	36,214
Unemployed 2003	2,104
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	5.5
Per Capita Income 2002	\$26,917
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	16,197

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	1,519	Total Pregnancies	1,760	Total Pregnancy Rate	82.7
Resident Deaths	825	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	252	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	85.2
% Births <2500 gms	8.6				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	4.6	White	4.5	Nonwhite	4.8
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	12,617	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	270	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	461
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Southern Regional

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	450
Primary Care Physicians	206
Family Practice	64
General Practice	7
Internal Medicine	54
Obstetrics/Gynecology	34
Pediatrics	47
Other Specialties	244
Physicians per 10,000 Population	14.6
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.7
Federal Physicians**	136

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	105
Dental Hygienists	145

Nurses

Registered Nurses	2,189
Nurse Practitioners	72
Certified Nurse Midwives	6
Licensed Practical Nurses	877

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	24
Optometrists	29
Pharmacists	183
Physical Therapists	96
Physical Therapist Assistants	87
Physician Assistants	135
Podiatrists	10
Practicing Psychologists	37
Psychological Associates	31

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	179,026	50,092	112,103	16,831
Nonwhite	129,594	45,813	75,745	8,036
Total	308,620	95,905	187,848	24,867
% of Pop.	100.0%	31.1%	60.9%	8.1%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	129,741
Employed 2003	122,499
Unemployed 2003	7,242
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	5.6
Per Capita Income 2002	\$26,323
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	54,397

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	5,433	Total Pregnancies	7,009	Total Pregnancy Rate	83.7
Resident Deaths	1,999	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	874	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	80.0
% Births <2500 gms	9.7				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	11.2	White	7.7	Nonwhite	16.4
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	25,272	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	471	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	939
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	6
Primary Care Physicians	5
<i>Family Practice</i>	2
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	2
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	1
<i>Pediatrics</i>	0
Other Specialties	1
Physicians per 10,000 Population	3.0
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	2.5
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	2
Dental Hygienists	1

Nurses

Registered Nurses	48
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	3
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	21

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	2
Optometrists	1
Pharmacists	3
Physical Therapists	3
Physical Therapist Assistants	1
Physician Assistants	0
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	2

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	18,087	4,785	11,128	2,174
Nonwhite	1,639	489	932	218
Total	19,726	5,274	12,060	2,392
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.7%	61.1%	12.1%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	10,631
Employed 2003	10,330
Unemployed 2003	301
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	2.8
Per Capita Income 2002	\$26,481
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	2,615

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	211	Total Pregnancies	261	Total Pregnancy Rate	59.0
Resident Deaths	159	Teen Pregnancies	37	Teen Pregnancy Rate	52.3
% Births <2500 gms	9.5	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	9.5	White	9.9	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	872	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	0	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	100
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+Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	43
Primary Care Physicians	27
Family Practice	14
General Practice	1
Internal Medicine	6
Obstetrics/Gynecology	5
Pediatrics	1
Other Specialties	16
Physicians per 10,000 Population	13.3
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.3
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	19
Dental Hygienists	15

Nurses

Registered Nurses	223
Nurse Practitioners	10
Certified Nurse Midwives	2
Licensed Practical Nurses	39

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	5
Optometrists	5
Pharmacists	31
Physical Therapists	14
Physical Therapist Assistants	1
Physician Assistants	7
Podiatrists	2
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	2

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	31,213	6,961	19,774	4,478
Nonwhite	1,227	398	748	81
Total	32,440	7,359	20,522	4,559
% of Pop.	100.0%	22.7%	63.3%	14.1%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	22,275
Employed 2003	21,149
Unemployed 2003	1,126
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	5.1
Per Capita Income 2002	\$28,908
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	3,245

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	354	Total Pregnancies	484	Total Pregnancy Rate	72.0
Resident Deaths	286	Teen Pregnancies	70	Teen Pregnancy Rate	72.6
% Births <2500 gms	7.6	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	8.5	White	5.9	Nonwhite	66.7
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	1,734	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	19	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	126
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+Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	121
Primary Care Physicians	72
Family Practice	24
General Practice	3
Internal Medicine	21
Obstetrics/Gynecology	10
Pediatrics	14
Other Specialties	49
Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.9
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	4.7
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	29
Dental Hygienists	60

Nurses

Registered Nurses	708
Nurse Practitioners	17
Certified Nurse Midwives	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	162

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	10
Optometrists	14
Pharmacists	84
Physical Therapists	27
Physical Therapist Assistants	21
Physician Assistants	14
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	3
Psychological Associates	7

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	136,144	34,863	82,979	18,302
Nonwhite	17,008	5,647	9,886	1,475
Total	153,152	40,510	92,865	19,777
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.5%	60.6%	12.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	83,113
Employed 2003	76,679
Unemployed 2003	6,434
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	7.7
Per Capita Income 2002	\$25,914
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	23,878

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	1,903	Total Pregnancies	2,170	Total Pregnancy Rate	62.7
Resident Deaths	1,431	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	312	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	65.1
% Births <2500 gms	8.8				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	8.9	White	7.6	Nonwhite	21.3
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	14,735	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	228	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	744
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	20
Primary Care Physicians	13
Family Practice	7
General Practice	0
Internal Medicine	4
Obstetrics/Gynecology	1
Pediatrics	1
Other Specialties	7
Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.3
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	3.5
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	9
Dental Hygienists	20

Nurses

Registered Nurses	118
Nurse Practitioners	4
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	46

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	4
Optometrists	3
Pharmacists	23
Physical Therapists	5
Physical Therapist Assistants	4
Physician Assistants	6
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	1
Psychological Associates	1

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	34,682	9,091	20,742	4,849
Nonwhite	2,853	822	1,672	359
Total	37,535	9,913	22,414	5,208
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.4%	59.7%	13.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	19,265
Employed 2003	18,119
Unemployed 2003	1,146
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	5.9
Per Capita Income 2002	\$28,827
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	4,679

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	431	Total Pregnancies	502	Total Pregnancy Rate	63.6
Resident Deaths	348	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	62	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	54.5
% Births <2500 gms	10.0				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	16.2	White	17.0	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	4,078	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	81	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	216
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Coastal

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	31
Primary Care Physicians	25
Family Practice	6
General Practice	1
Internal Medicine	12
Obstetrics/Gynecology	4
Pediatrics	2
Other Specialties	6
Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.0
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	4.8
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	10
Dental Hygienists	17

Nurses

Registered Nurses	259
Nurse Practitioners	6
Certified Nurse Midwives	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	85

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	2
Optometrists	6
Pharmacists	30
Physical Therapists	7
Physical Therapist Assistants	8
Physician Assistants	4
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	1

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	36,960	10,483	21,845	4,632
Nonwhite	14,852	4,533	8,423	1,896
Total	51,812	15,016	30,268	6,528
% of Pop.	100.0%	29.0%	58.4%	12.6%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	23,484
Employed 2003	21,767
Unemployed 2003	1,717
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	7.3
Per Capita Income 2002	\$20,578
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	12,233

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	802	Total Pregnancies	935	Total Pregnancy Rate	79.9
Resident Deaths	491	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	151	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	89.9
% Births <2500 gms	9.6				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	12.5	White	10.0	Nonwhite	20.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	6,711	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	61	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	252
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Wake

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	1,596
Primary Care Physicians	513
Family Practice	84
General Practice	4
Internal Medicine	233
Obstetrics/Gynecology	66
Pediatrics	126
Other Specialties	1,083
Physicians per 10,000 Population	68.0
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	21.9
Federal Physicians**	74

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	143
Dental Hygienists	118

Nurses

Registered Nurses	4,798
Nurse Practitioners	189
Certified Nurse Midwives	8
Licensed Practical Nurses	651

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	37
Optometrists	18
Pharmacists	615
Physical Therapists	186
Physical Therapist Assistants	22
Physician Assistants	216
Podiatrists	6
Practicing Psychologists	200
Psychological Associates	19

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	127,287	28,903	83,290	15,094
Nonwhite	107,493	34,534	65,892	7,067
Total	234,780	63,437	149,182	22,161
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.0%	63.5%	9.4%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	129,285
Employed 2003	122,610
Unemployed 2003	6,675
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	5.2
Per Capita Income 2002	\$30,813
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	35,153

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	3,901	Total Pregnancies	5,215	Total Pregnancy Rate	74.1
Resident Deaths	1,696	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	555	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	71.0
% Births <2500 gms	9.5				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	9.0	White	6.4	Nonwhite	12.2
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	22,674	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	1,264	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	1,270
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Area L

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	37
Primary Care Physicians	22
Family Practice	8
General Practice	0
Internal Medicine	6
Obstetrics/Gynecology	5
Pediatrics	3
Other Specialties	15
Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.8
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	4.0
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	8
Dental Hygienists	7

Nurses

Registered Nurses	282
Nurse Practitioners	6
Certified Nurse Midwives	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	94

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	2
Optometrists	4
Pharmacists	21
Physical Therapists	7
Physical Therapist Assistants	10
Physician Assistants	4
Podiatrists	2
Practicing Psychologists	1
Psychological Associates	4

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	22,533	5,323	13,516	3,694
Nonwhite	32,014	10,353	18,418	3,243
Total	54,547	15,676	31,934	6,937
% of Pop.	100.0%	28.7%	58.5%	12.7%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	26,140
Employed 2003	23,229
Unemployed 2003	2,911
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	11.1
Per Capita Income 2002	\$22,469
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	17,484

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	747	Total Pregnancies	900	Total Pregnancy Rate	67.4
Resident Deaths	617	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	158	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	81.4
% Births <2500 gms	12.0				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	10.7	White	3.5	Nonwhite	15.3
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	8,186	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	101	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	317
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	1,248
Primary Care Physicians	404
Family Practice	111
General Practice	5
Internal Medicine	146
Obstetrics/Gynecology	52
Pediatrics	90
Other Specialties	844
Physicians per 10,000 Population	39.2
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	12.7
Federal Physicians**	16

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	187
Dental Hygienists	178

Nurses

Registered Nurses	4,985
Nurse Practitioners	97
Certified Nurse Midwives	4
Licensed Practical Nurses	1,106

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	36
Optometrists	43
Pharmacists	395
Physical Therapists	205
Physical Therapist Assistants	49
Physician Assistants	218
Podiatrists	20
Practicing Psychologists	85
Psychological Associates	29

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	228,436	56,746	139,030	32,660
Nonwhite	90,315	29,636	53,439	7,240
Total	318,751	86,382	192,469	39,900
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.1%	60.4%	12.5%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	160,291
Employed 2003	151,725
Unemployed 2003	8,566
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	5.3
Per Capita Income 2002	\$31,236
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	47,194

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	4,520	Total Pregnancies	5,649	Total Pregnancy Rate	71.8
Resident Deaths	2,772	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	677	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	68.8
% Births <2500 gms	10.0				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	9.1	White	5.5	Nonwhite	18.9
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	35,368	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	1,461	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	1,681
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Wake

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	28
Primary Care Physicians	16
Family Practice	5
General Practice	1
Internal Medicine	9
Obstetrics/Gynecology	0
Pediatrics	1
Other Specialties	12
Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.5
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	3.1
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	4
Dental Hygienists	13

Nurses

Registered Nurses	187
Nurse Practitioners	3
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	60

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	5
Optometrists	2
Pharmacists	20
Physical Therapists	7
Physical Therapist Assistants	5
Physician Assistants	2
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	1

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	35,654	9,526	22,304	3,824
Nonwhite	15,425	4,672	9,150	1,603
Total	51,079	14,198	31,454	5,427
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.8%	61.6%	10.6%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	25,390
Employed 2003	23,882
Unemployed 2003	1,508
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	5.9
Per Capita Income 2002	\$24,043
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	9,821

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	673	Total Pregnancies	812	Total Pregnancy Rate	67.9
Resident Deaths	417	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	110	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	68.0
% Births <2500 gms	8.2				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	3.0	White	4.1	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	5,030	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	70	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	258
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Charlotte

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	330
Primary Care Physicians	146
Family Practice	58
General Practice	3
Internal Medicine	46
Obstetrics/Gynecology	16
Pediatrics	23
Other Specialties	184
Physicians per 10,000 Population	17.0
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.5
Federal Physicians**	5

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	66
Dental Hygienists	94

Nurses

Registered Nurses	1,355
Nurse Practitioners	36
Certified Nurse Midwives	14
Licensed Practical Nurses	317

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	27
Optometrists	23
Pharmacists	152
Physical Therapists	49
Physical Therapist Assistants	45
Physician Assistants	52
Podiatrists	6
Practicing Psychologists	13
Psychological Associates	12

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	162,525	40,977	99,513	22,035
Nonwhite	31,569	11,134	17,988	2,447
Total	194,094	52,111	117,501	24,482
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.8%	60.5%	12.6%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	103,478
Employed 2003	95,709
Unemployed 2003	7,769
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	7.5
Per Capita Income 2002	\$27,173
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	36,661

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	2,586	Total Pregnancies	3,075	Total Pregnancy Rate	68.4
Resident Deaths	1,920	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	454	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	74.8
% Births <2500 gms	8.4				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	6.2	White	6.5	Nonwhite	4.7
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	23,031	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	372	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	972
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⁺Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

⁺⁺Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	3
Primary Care Physicians	3
<i>Family Practice</i>	1
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	2
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	0
<i>Pediatrics</i>	0
Other Specialties	0
Physicians per 10,000 Population	2.8
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	2.8
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	1
Dental Hygienists	0

Nurses

Registered Nurses	22
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	1
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	21

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	0
Optometrists	0
Pharmacists	2
Physical Therapists	1
Physical Therapist Assistants	2
Physician Assistants	2
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	0

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	6,468	1,703	3,822	943
Nonwhite	4,258	1,245	2,401	612
Total	10,726	2,948	6,223	1,555
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.5%	58.0%	14.5%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	4,549
Employed 2003	4,417
Unemployed 2003	132
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	2.9
Per Capita Income 2002	\$20,331
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	1,947

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	111	Total Pregnancies	134	Total Pregnancy Rate	58.2
Resident Deaths	130	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	17	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	44.5
% Births <2500 gms	9.0				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	0.0	White	0.0	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	732	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	0	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	70
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+Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Mountain

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	3
Primary Care Physicians	3
Family Practice	2
General Practice	0
Internal Medicine	1
Obstetrics/Gynecology	0
Pediatrics	0
Other Specialties	0
Physicians per 10,000 Population	3.7
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	3.7
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	2
Dental Hygienists	4

Nurses

Registered Nurses	32
Nurse Practitioners	1
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	13

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	0
Optometrists	1
Pharmacists	4
Physical Therapists	1
Physical Therapist Assistants	2
Physician Assistants	2
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	0

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	7,507	1,671	4,355	1,481
Nonwhite	674	260	373	41
Total	8,181	1,931	4,728	1,522
% of Pop.	100.0%	23.6%	57.8%	18.6%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	4,392
Employed 2003	4,044
Unemployed 2003	348
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	7.9
Per Capita Income 2002	\$20,592
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	2,247

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	99	Total Pregnancies	108	Total Pregnancy Rate	67.4
Resident Deaths	98	Teen Pregnancies	15	Teen Pregnancy Rate	66.7
% Births <2500 gms	7.1	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	0.0	White	0.0	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	749	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	0	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	80
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Wake

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	76
Primary Care Physicians	30
<i>Family Practice</i>	15
<i>General Practice</i>	4
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	5
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	4
<i>Pediatrics</i>	2
Other Specialties	46
Physicians per 10,000 Population	14.7
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.8
Federal Physicians**	7

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	14
Dental Hygienists	19

Nurses

Registered Nurses	496
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	9
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	2
Licensed Practical Nurses	195

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	1
Optometrists	3
Pharmacists	44
Physical Therapists	22
Physical Therapist Assistants	5
Physician Assistants	10
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	36
Psychological Associates	25

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	33,166	8,594	20,798	3,774
Nonwhite	18,439	4,844	11,561	2,034
Total	51,605	13,438	32,359	5,808
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.0%	62.7%	11.3%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	26,167
Employed 2003	24,234
Unemployed 2003	1,933
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	7.4
Per Capita Income 2002	\$21,787
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	8,289

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	559	Total Pregnancies	726	Total Pregnancy Rate	66.7
Resident Deaths	441	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	88	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	57.9
% Births <2500 gms	8.6				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	5.4	White	2.5	Nonwhite	12.7
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	4,912	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	62	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	240
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	5
Primary Care Physicians	5
Family Practice	3
General Practice	0
Internal Medicine	1
Obstetrics/Gynecology	0
Pediatrics	1
Other Specialties	0
Physicians per 10,000 Population	2.5
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	2.5
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	4
Dental Hygienists	8

Nurses

Registered Nurses	66
Nurse Practitioners	6
Certified Nurse Midwives	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	38

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	0
Optometrists	1
Pharmacists	4
Physical Therapists	1
Physical Therapist Assistants	2
Physician Assistants	3
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	6

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	11,585	3,015	6,971	1,599
Nonwhite	8,293	2,507	5,020	766
Total	19,878	5,522	11,991	2,365
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.8%	60.3%	11.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	9,632
Employed 2003	9,065
Unemployed 2003	567
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	5.9
Per Capita Income 2002	\$20,567
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	4,598

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	238	Total Pregnancies	285	Total Pregnancy Rate	65.1
Resident Deaths	175	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	58	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	91.5
% Births <2500 gms	12.2				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	21.0	White	29.2	Nonwhite	9.9
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	1,977	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	0	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	115
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Greensboro

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	994
Primary Care Physicians	400
Family Practice	116
General Practice	5
Internal Medicine	142
Obstetrics/Gynecology	58
Pediatrics	79
Other Specialties	594
Physicians per 10,000 Population	22.6
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	9.1
Federal Physicians**	2

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	229
Dental Hygienists	248

Nurses

Registered Nurses	4,666
Nurse Practitioners	131
Certified Nurse Midwives	12
Licensed Practical Nurses	692

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	50
Optometrists	46
Pharmacists	424
Physical Therapists	204
Physical Therapist Assistants	64
Physician Assistants	174
Podiatrists	18
Practicing Psychologists	98
Psychological Associates	52

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	287,944	69,783	177,414	40,747
Nonwhite	152,849	51,457	91,377	10,015
Total	440,793	121,240	268,791	50,762
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.5%	61.0%	11.5%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	233,919
Employed 2003	219,649
Unemployed 2003	14,270
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.1
Per Capita Income 2002	\$31,225
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	66,352

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	5,831	Total Pregnancies	7,707	Total Pregnancy Rate	67.6
Resident Deaths	3,504	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	852	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	54.1
% Births <2500 gms	9.1				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	9.4	White	5.1	Nonwhite	15.9
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	46,413	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	1,109	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	2,401
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Area L

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	78
Primary Care Physicians	40
Family Practice	13
General Practice	1
Internal Medicine	17
Obstetrics/Gynecology	2
Pediatrics	7
Other Specialties	38
Physicians per 10,000 Population	13.6
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.0
Federal Physicians**	2

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	10
Dental Hygienists	15

Nurses

Registered Nurses	417
Nurse Practitioners	9
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	122

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	5
Optometrists	5
Pharmacists	36
Physical Therapists	10
Physical Therapist Assistants	17
Physician Assistants	10
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	4
Psychological Associates	5

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	24,174	5,341	14,042	4,791
Nonwhite	33,161	10,338	19,019	3,804
Total	57,335	15,679	33,061	8,595
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.3%	57.7%	15.0%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	22,567
Employed 2003	20,414
Unemployed 2003	2,153
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	9.5
Per Capita Income 2002	\$20,197
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	18,892

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	753	Total Pregnancies	900	Total Pregnancy Rate	69.4
Resident Deaths	689	Teen Pregnancies	194	Teen Pregnancy Rate	98.1
% Births <2500 gms	12.2	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	5.3	White	0.0	Nonwhite	8.1
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	9,200	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	206	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	345
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⁺⁺Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Southern Regional

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	65
Primary Care Physicians	47
Family Practice	18
General Practice	2
Internal Medicine	17
Obstetrics/Gynecology	2
Pediatrics	8
Other Specialties	18
Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.6
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	4.8
Federal Physicians**	3

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	21
Dental Hygienists	39

Nurses

Registered Nurses	354
Nurse Practitioners	7
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	155

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	4
Optometrists	11
Pharmacists	58
Physical Therapists	23
Physical Therapist Assistants	11
Physician Assistants	24
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	4
Psychological Associates	7

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	73,944	21,009	44,965	7,970
Nonwhite	24,964	8,842	14,245	1,877
Total	98,908	29,851	59,210	9,847
% of Pop.	100.0%	30.2%	59.9%	10.0%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	37,854
Employed 2003	35,076
Unemployed 2003	2,778
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	7.3
Per Capita Income 2002	\$22,484
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	19,400

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	1,423	Total Pregnancies	1,693	Total Pregnancy Rate	67.6
Resident Deaths	721	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	257	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	71.9
% Births <2500 gms	8.6				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	8.4	White	5.6	Nonwhite	16.8
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	10,957	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	151	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	431
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Mountain

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	101
Primary Care Physicians	43
Family Practice	23
General Practice	0
Internal Medicine	12
Obstetrics/Gynecology	2
Pediatrics	6
Other Specialties	58
Physicians per 10,000 Population	18.1
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.7
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	21
Dental Hygienists	39

Nurses

Registered Nurses	392
Nurse Practitioners	13
Certified Nurse Midwives	4
Licensed Practical Nurses	147

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	8
Optometrists	5
Pharmacists	42
Physical Therapists	23
Physical Therapist Assistants	21
Physician Assistants	13
Podiatrists	3
Practicing Psychologists	2
Psychological Associates	5

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	54,517	12,046	31,822	10,649
Nonwhite	1,369	409	823	137
Total	55,886	12,455	32,645	10,786
% of Pop.	100.0%	22.3%	58.4%	19.3%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	24,570
Employed 2003	23,285
Unemployed 2003	1,285
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	5.2
Per Capita Income 2002	\$24,261
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	10,373

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	574	Total Pregnancies	643	Total Pregnancy Rate	58.5
Resident Deaths	656	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	81	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	51.6
% Births <2500 gms	9.4				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	5.2	White	5.3	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	7,257	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	170	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	475
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MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Mountain

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	235
Primary Care Physicians	107
Family Practice	52
General Practice	0
Internal Medicine	30
Obstetrics/Gynecology	12
Pediatrics	13
Other Specialties	128
Physicians per 10,000 Population	24.7
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	11.2
Federal Physicians**	3

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	39
Dental Hygienists	68

Nurses

Registered Nurses	916
Nurse Practitioners	26
Certified Nurse Midwives	6
Licensed Practical Nurses	234

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	21
Optometrists	9
Pharmacists	66
Physical Therapists	55
Physical Therapist Assistants	28
Physician Assistants	21
Podiatrists	2
Practicing Psychologists	11
Psychological Associates	5

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	90,817	20,127	51,170	19,520
Nonwhite	4,497	1,503	2,552	442
Total	95,314	21,630	53,722	19,962
% of Pop.	100.0%	22.7%	56.4%	20.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	43,213
Employed 2003	41,562
Unemployed 2003	1,651
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	3.8
Per Capita Income 2002	\$28,252
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	14,119

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	1,075	Total Pregnancies	1,215	Total Pregnancy Rate	68.4
Resident Deaths	1,144	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	129	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	51.6
% Births <2500 gms	6.7				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	3.7	White	2.9	Nonwhite	20.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	12,637	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	263	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	912
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	39
Primary Care Physicians	17
<i>Family Practice</i>	9
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	4
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	2
<i>Pediatrics</i>	2
Other Specialties	22
Physicians per 10,000 Population	17.5
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.6
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	8
Dental Hygienists	4

Nurses

Registered Nurses	256
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	9
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	2
Licensed Practical Nurses	78

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	3
Optometrists	3
Pharmacists	18
Physical Therapists	3
Physical Therapist Assistants	10
Physician Assistants	10
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	1
Psychological Associates	7

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	8,387	1,648	5,071	1,668
Nonwhite	13,902	4,129	7,883	1,890
Total	22,289	5,777	12,954	3,558
% of Pop.	100.0%	25.9%	58.1%	16.0%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	11,113
Employed 2003	10,613
Unemployed 2003	500
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	4.5
Per Capita Income 2002	\$21,044
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	7,384

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	279	Total Pregnancies	376	Total Pregnancy Rate	65.0
Resident Deaths	293	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	79	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	84.9
% Births <2500 gms	14.7				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.2	White	0.0	Nonwhite	10.3
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	2,802	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	94	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	161
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Southern Regional

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	13
Primary Care Physicians	11
<i>Family Practice</i>	6
<i>General Practice</i>	1
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	4
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	0
<i>Pediatrics</i>	0
Other Specialties	2
Physicians per 10,000 Population	3.5
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	2.9
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	6
Dental Hygienists	13

Nurses

Registered Nurses	93
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	3
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	78

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	2
Optometrists	1
Pharmacists	16
Physical Therapists	4
Physical Therapist Assistants	3
Physician Assistants	8
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	1
Psychological Associates	3

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	18,712	5,932	11,320	1,460
Nonwhite	18,726	6,526	10,890	1,310
Total	37,438	12,458	22,210	2,770
% of Pop.	100.0%	33.3%	59.3%	7.4%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	13,299
Employed 2003	12,058
Unemployed 2003	1,241
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	9.3
Per Capita Income 2002	\$17,739
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	8,394

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	669	Total Pregnancies	803	Total Pregnancy Rate	84.4
Resident Deaths	262	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	113	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	86.5
% Births <2500 gms	9.9				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	13.5	White	15.1	Nonwhite	11.1
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	2,707	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	0	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	132
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**Includes NC Medical Board licensed federal physicians in the armed services, US Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

+Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	2
Primary Care Physicians	2
Family Practice	2
General Practice	0
Internal Medicine	0
Obstetrics/Gynecology	0
Pediatrics	0
Other Specialties	0
Physicians per 10,000 Population	3.4
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	3.4
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	0
Dental Hygienists	0

Nurses

Registered Nurses	21
Nurse Practitioners	1
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	6

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	0
Optometrists	0
Pharmacists	0
Physical Therapists	1
Physical Therapist Assistants	1
Physician Assistants	0
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	0

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	3,673	749	2,263	661
Nonwhite	2,157	469	1,387	301
Total	5,830	1,218	3,650	962
% of Pop.	100.0%	20.9%	62.6%	16.5%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	3,105
Employed 2003	2,876
Unemployed 2003	229
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	7.4
Per Capita Income 2002	\$19,420
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	1,419

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	60	Total Pregnancies	67	Total Pregnancy Rate	67.1
Resident Deaths	64	Teen Pregnancies	6	Teen Pregnancy Rate	39.0
% Births <2500 gms	11.7	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	0.0	White	0.0	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	646	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	0	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	80
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⁺⁺Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	247
Primary Care Physicians	98
Family Practice	32
General Practice	1
Internal Medicine	30
Obstetrics/Gynecology	17
Pediatrics	18
Other Specialties	149
Physicians per 10,000 Population	18.5
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.3
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	61
Dental Hygienists	81

Nurses

Registered Nurses	1,437
Nurse Practitioners	24
Certified Nurse Midwives	2
Licensed Practical Nurses	184

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	20
Optometrists	17
Pharmacists	125
Physical Therapists	58
Physical Therapist Assistants	29
Physician Assistants	26
Podiatrists	3
Practicing Psychologists	10
Psychological Associates	11

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	112,878	30,149	68,333	14,396
Nonwhite	20,960	7,317	11,875	1,768
Total	133,838	37,466	80,208	16,164
% of Pop.	100.0%	28.0%	59.9%	12.1%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	70,165
Employed 2003	65,588
Unemployed 2003	4,577
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.5
Per Capita Income 2002	\$26,863
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	19,025

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	1,809	Total Pregnancies	2,134	Total Pregnancy Rate	70.5
Resident Deaths	1,098	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	250	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	59.5
% Births <2500 gms	9.8				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	10.0	White	5.3	Nonwhite	33.3
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	17,548	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	424	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	653
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Mountain

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	76
Primary Care Physicians	38
Family Practice	12
General Practice	3
Internal Medicine	13
Obstetrics/Gynecology	4
Pediatrics	6
Other Specialties	38
Physicians per 10,000 Population	21.9
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	10.9
Federal Physicians**	2

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	11
Dental Hygienists	14

Nurses

Registered Nurses	314
Nurse Practitioners	13
Certified Nurse Midwives	2
Licensed Practical Nurses	61

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	5
Optometrists	4
Pharmacists	17
Physical Therapists	24
Physical Therapist Assistants	12
Physician Assistants	8
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	17
Psychological Associates	12

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	30,054	6,937	18,575	4,542
Nonwhite	4,675	1,677	2,655	343
Total	34,729	8,614	21,230	4,885
% of Pop.	100.0%	24.8%	61.1%	14.1%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	17,675
Employed 2003	16,923
Unemployed 2003	752
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	4.3
Per Capita Income 2002	\$22,744
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	5,752

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	358	Total Pregnancies	450	Total Pregnancy Rate	47.9
Resident Deaths	321	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	67	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	42.0
% Births <2500 gms	5.0				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	2.8	White	3.5	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	2,636	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	86	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	208
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⁺⁺Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Wake

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	94
Primary Care Physicians	59
<i>Family Practice</i>	32
<i>General Practice</i>	4
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	13
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	4
<i>Pediatrics</i>	6
Other Specialties	35
Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.9
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	4.3
Federal Physicians**	2

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	26
Dental Hygienists	39

Nurses

Registered Nurses	490
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	23
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	177

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	9
Optometrists	12
Pharmacists	88
Physical Therapists	28
Physical Therapist Assistants	15
Physician Assistants	20
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	3
Psychological Associates	11

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	114,122	32,036	71,054	11,032
Nonwhite	22,680	7,652	13,226	1,802
Total	136,802	39,688	84,280	12,834
% of Pop.	100.0%	29.0%	61.6%	9.4%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	70,284
Employed 2003	67,120
Unemployed 2003	3,164
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	4.5
Per Capita Income 2002	\$25,502
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	23,796

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	2,116	Total Pregnancies	2,413	Total Pregnancy Rate	75.2
Resident Deaths	986	Teen Pregnancies	281	Teen Pregnancy Rate	68.2
% Births <2500 gms	7.8	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.6	White	6.3	Nonwhite	13.7
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	14,120	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	155	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	550
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	23
Primary Care Physicians	15
Family Practice	1
General Practice	0
Internal Medicine	14
Obstetrics/Gynecology	0
Pediatrics	0
Other Specialties	8
Physicians per 10,000 Population	22.0
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	14.3
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	0
Dental Hygienists	1

Nurses

Registered Nurses	28
Nurse Practitioners	1
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	19

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	1
Optometrists	0
Pharmacists	2
Physical Therapists	2
Physical Therapist Assistants	1
Physician Assistants	2
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	0

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	6,635	1,630	3,940	1,065
Nonwhite	3,830	1,107	2,120	603
Total	10,465	2,737	6,060	1,668
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.2%	57.9%	15.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	4,843
Employed 2003	4,599
Unemployed 2003	244
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	5.0
Per Capita Income 2002	\$21,728
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	2,268

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	93	Total Pregnancies	119	Total Pregnancy Rate	56.3
Resident Deaths	130	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	27	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	79.6
% Births <2500 gms	17.2				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	10.8	White	16.9	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	1,438	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	0	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	80
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Wake

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	87
Primary Care Physicians	42
Family Practice	15
General Practice	1
Internal Medicine	14
Obstetrics/Gynecology	7
Pediatrics	5
Other Specialties	45
Physicians per 10,000 Population	17.0
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.2
Federal Physicians**	1

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	22
Dental Hygienists	27

Nurses

Registered Nurses	336
Nurse Practitioners	8
Certified Nurse Midwives	5
Licensed Practical Nurses	131

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	11
Optometrists	7
Pharmacists	37
Physical Therapists	18
Physical Therapist Assistants	5
Physician Assistants	16
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	3
Psychological Associates	3

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	39,956	10,769	23,810	5,377
Nonwhite	11,181	3,576	6,529	1,076
Total	51,137	14,345	30,339	6,453
% of Pop.	100.0%	28.1%	59.3%	12.6%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	27,192
Employed 2003	25,217
Unemployed 2003	1,975
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	7.3
Per Capita Income 2002	\$26,598
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	10,068

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	817	Total Pregnancies	987	Total Pregnancy Rate	84.9
Resident Deaths	450	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	150	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	90.3
% Births <2500 gms	7.5				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	4.9	White	4.7	Nonwhite	5.6
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	7,471	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	127	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	234
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	120
Primary Care Physicians	49
Family Practice	13
General Practice	2
Internal Medicine	21
Obstetrics/Gynecology	6
Pediatrics	7
Other Specialties	71
Physicians per 10,000 Population	20.1
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.2
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	24
Dental Hygienists	31

Nurses

Registered Nurses	549
Nurse Practitioners	8
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	195

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	3
Optometrists	5
Pharmacists	83
Physical Therapists	18
Physical Therapist Assistants	8
Physician Assistants	7
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	4
Psychological Associates	13

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	34,636	8,287	20,429	5,920
Nonwhite	25,099	7,790	14,380	2,929
Total	59,735	16,077	34,809	8,849
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.9%	58.3%	14.8%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	29,822
Employed 2003	27,793
Unemployed 2003	2,029
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.8
Per Capita Income 2002	\$23,936
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	15,484

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	825	Total Pregnancies	959	Total Pregnancy Rate	71.8
Resident Deaths	695	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	177	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	91.6
% Births <2500 gms	11.6				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.3	White	6.8	Nonwhite	7.8
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	10,898	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	218	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	351
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Charlotte

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	60
Primary Care Physicians	38
<i>Family Practice</i>	18
<i>General Practice</i>	1
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	9
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	5
<i>Pediatrics</i>	5
Other Specialties	22
Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.8
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.6
Federal Physicians**	1

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	15
Dental Hygienists	36

Nurses

Registered Nurses	263
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	3
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	77

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	7
Optometrists	5
Pharmacists	44
Physical Therapists	15
Physical Therapist Assistants	13
Physician Assistants	3
Podiatrists	2
Practicing Psychologists	3
Psychological Associates	3

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	63,255	16,674	39,134	7,447
Nonwhite	4,930	1,706	2,832	392
Total	68,185	18,380	41,966	7,839
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.0%	61.5%	11.5%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	36,275
Employed 2003	33,580
Unemployed 2003	2,695
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	7.4
Per Capita Income 2002	\$23,638
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	10,028

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	800	Total Pregnancies	919	Total Pregnancy Rate	60.9
Resident Deaths	594	Teen Pregnancies	112	Teen Pregnancy Rate	53.1
% Births <2500 gms	7.8	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	8.8	White	7.9	Nonwhite	23.8
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	6,872	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	101	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	300
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Mountain

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	35
Primary Care Physicians	21
Family Practice	10
General Practice	1
Internal Medicine	3
Obstetrics/Gynecology	3
Pediatrics	4
Other Specialties	14
Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.9
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	4.8
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	9
Dental Hygienists	17

Nurses

Registered Nurses	259
Nurse Practitioners	8
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	127

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	6
Optometrists	3
Pharmacists	24
Physical Therapists	5
Physical Therapist Assistants	8
Physician Assistants	15
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	1
Psychological Associates	4

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	41,412	10,235	25,087	6,090
Nonwhite	2,754	789	1,693	272
Total	44,166	11,024	26,780	6,362
% of Pop.	100.0%	25.0%	60.6%	14.4%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	20,290
Employed 2003	18,663
Unemployed 2003	1,627
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	8.0
Per Capita Income 2002	\$20,951
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	7,865

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	510	Total Pregnancies	581	Total Pregnancy Rate	61.7
Resident Deaths	459	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	70	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	54.4
% Births <2500 gms	6.6				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	9.8	White	10.2	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	5,184	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	65	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	250
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+Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Mountain

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	67
Primary Care Physicians	32
<i>Family Practice</i>	17
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	8
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	1
<i>Pediatrics</i>	6
Other Specialties	35
Physicians per 10,000 Population	21.2
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	10.1
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	10
Dental Hygienists	16

Nurses

Registered Nurses	231
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	2
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	66

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	5
Optometrists	4
Pharmacists	24
Physical Therapists	18
Physical Therapist Assistants	12
Physician Assistants	8
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	4
Psychological Associates	2

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	31,002	6,613	17,480	6,909
Nonwhite	668	293	331	44
Total	31,670	6,906	17,811	6,953
% of Pop.	100.0%	21.8%	56.2%	22.0%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	15,749
Employed 2003	15,165
Unemployed 2003	584
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	3.7
Per Capita Income 2002	\$23,874
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	5,813

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	302	Total Pregnancies	346	Total Pregnancy Rate	61.6
Resident Deaths	402	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	45	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	51.7
% Births <2500 gms	13.1				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	9.9	White	10.1	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	3,058	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	83	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	280
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**Includes NC Medical Board licensed federal physicians in the armed services, US Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

+Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Mountain

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	14
Primary Care Physicians	13
Family Practice	7
General Practice	1
Internal Medicine	4
Obstetrics/Gynecology	0
Pediatrics	1
Other Specialties	1
Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.9
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.4
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	3
Dental Hygienists	4

Nurses

Registered Nurses	66
Nurse Practitioners	3
Certified Nurse Midwives	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	40

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	3
Optometrists	2
Pharmacists	7
Physical Therapists	4
Physical Therapist Assistants	4
Physician Assistants	1
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	2
Psychological Associates	0

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	19,956	4,882	11,887	3,187
Nonwhite	360	104	221	35
Total	20,316	4,986	12,108	3,222
% of Pop.	100.0%	24.5%	59.6%	15.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	9,609
Employed 2003	9,206
Unemployed 2003	403
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	4.2
Per Capita Income 2002	\$21,097
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	4,206

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	214	Total Pregnancies	241	Total Pregnancy Rate	54.7
Resident Deaths	228	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	37	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	58.2
% Births <2500 gms	11.2				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	0.0	White	0.0	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	2,059	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	0	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	180
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+Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	19
Primary Care Physicians	13
<i>Family Practice</i>	6
<i>General Practice</i>	1
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	3
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	1
<i>Pediatrics</i>	2
Other Specialties	6
Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.5
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.1
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	5
Dental Hygienists	6

Nurses

Registered Nurses	127
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	0
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	2
Licensed Practical Nurses	42

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	1
Optometrists	1
Pharmacists	19
Physical Therapists	6
Physical Therapist Assistants	20
Physician Assistants	4
Podiatrists	2
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	1

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	13,535	3,091	7,999	2,445
Nonwhite	11,915	3,750	6,649	1,516
Total	25,450	6,841	14,648	3,961
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.9%	57.6%	15.6%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	11,070
Employed 2003	10,145
Unemployed 2003	925
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	8.4
Per Capita Income 2002	\$22,000
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	6,823

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	303	Total Pregnancies	355	Total Pregnancy Rate	63.6
Resident Deaths	333	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	64	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	73.6
% Births <2500 gms	9.4				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	9.9	White	7.0	Nonwhite	12.4
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	4,209	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	49	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	154
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

Mecklenburg



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Charlotte

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	1,850
Primary Care Physicians	724
Family Practice	179
General Practice	6
Internal Medicine	277
Obstetrics/Gynecology	118
Pediatrics	144
Other Specialties	1,126
Physicians per 10,000 Population	24.5
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	9.6
Federal Physicians**	11

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	460
Dental Hygienists	469

Nurses

Registered Nurses	8,747
Nurse Practitioners	197
Certified Nurse Midwives	11
Licensed Practical Nurses	1,108

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	175
Optometrists	91
Pharmacists	724
Physical Therapists	367
Physical Therapist Assistants	190
Physician Assistants	209
Podiatrists	26
Practicing Psychologists	179
Psychological Associates	83

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	503,500	130,589	323,534	49,377
Nonwhite	251,521	85,015	153,124	13,382
Total	755,021	215,604	476,658	62,759
% of Pop.	100.0%	28.6%	63.1%	8.3%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	417,880
Employed 2003	393,665
Unemployed 2003	24,215
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	5.8
Per Capita Income 2002	\$38,556
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	106,699

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	12,296	Total Pregnancies	16,355	Total Pregnancy Rate	83.0
Resident Deaths	4,659	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	1,429	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	60.0
% Births <2500 gms	8.6				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.9	White	4.5	Nonwhite	14.4
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	66,868	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	1,989	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	3,088
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Mountain

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	22
Primary Care Physicians	15
<i>Family Practice</i>	11
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	3
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	1
<i>Pediatrics</i>	0
Other Specialties	7
Physicians per 10,000 Population	13.7
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	9.4
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	6
Dental Hygienists	8

Nurses

Registered Nurses	135
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	7
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	2
Licensed Practical Nurses	44

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	1
Optometrists	3
Pharmacists	13
Physical Therapists	8
Physical Therapist Assistants	7
Physician Assistants	0
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	1
Psychological Associates	3

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	15,801	3,519	9,317	2,965
Nonwhite	227	69	131	27
Total	16,028	3,588	9,448	2,992
% of Pop.	100.0%	22.4%	58.9%	18.7%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	7,185
Employed 2003	6,556
Unemployed 2003	629
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	8.8
Per Capita Income 2002	\$20,028
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	3,119

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	172	Total Pregnancies	186	Total Pregnancy Rate	59.5
Resident Deaths	197	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	24	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	52.4
% Births <2500 gms	8.1				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	0.0	White	0.0	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	2,125	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	85	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	127
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

Montgomery



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Greensboro

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	12
Primary Care Physicians	9
Family Practice	7
General Practice	0
Internal Medicine	2
Obstetrics/Gynecology	0
Pediatrics	0
Other Specialties	3
Physicians per 10,000 Population	4.3
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	3.2
Federal Physicians**	1

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	5
Dental Hygienists	10

Nurses

Registered Nurses	104
Nurse Practitioners	3
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	84

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	2
Optometrists	1
Pharmacists	12
Physical Therapists	4
Physical Therapist Assistants	3
Physician Assistants	7
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	6

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	21,177	5,477	12,506	3,194
Nonwhite	6,558	2,043	3,875	640
Total	27,735	7,520	16,381	3,834
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.1%	59.1%	13.8%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	12,019
Employed 2003	10,796
Unemployed 2003	1,223
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	10.2
Per Capita Income 2002	\$22,606
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	6,390

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	382	Total Pregnancies	439	Total Pregnancy Rate	74.0
Resident Deaths	296	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	88	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	101.9
% Births <2500 gms	9.2				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	10.5	White	6.6	Nonwhite	24.7
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	3,386	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	37	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	141
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Southern Regional

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	221
Primary Care Physicians	69
Family Practice	15
General Practice	1
Internal Medicine	29
Obstetrics/Gynecology	17
Pediatrics	7
Other Specialties	152
Physicians per 10,000 Population	27.8
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.7
Federal Physicians**	2

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	41
Dental Hygienists	41

Nurses

Registered Nurses	1,017
Nurse Practitioners	19
Certified Nurse Midwives	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	259

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	13
Optometrists	13
Pharmacists	72
Physical Therapists	39
Physical Therapist Assistants	24
Physician Assistants	28
Podiatrists	4
Practicing Psychologists	13
Psychological Associates	7

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	66,027	14,458	36,368	15,201
Nonwhite	13,341	4,324	7,399	1,618
Total	79,368	18,782	43,767	16,819
% of Pop.	100.0%	23.7%	55.1%	21.2%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	31,440
Employed 2003	29,287
Unemployed 2003	2,153
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.8
Per Capita Income 2002	\$32,107
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	11,917

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	931	Total Pregnancies	1,102	Total Pregnancy Rate	71.8
Resident Deaths	923	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	154	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	65.5
% Births <2500 gms	8.4				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	6.4	White	4.1	Nonwhite	14.9
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	10,117	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	297	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	730
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Area L

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	169
Primary Care Physicians	73
Family Practice	22
General Practice	3
Internal Medicine	26
Obstetrics/Gynecology	13
Pediatrics	9
Other Specialties	96
Physicians per 10,000 Population	18.7
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.1
Federal Physicians**	2

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	42
Dental Hygienists	33

Nurses

Registered Nurses	878
Nurse Practitioners	18
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	215

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	9
Optometrists	9
Pharmacists	58
Physical Therapists	43
Physical Therapist Assistants	39
Physician Assistants	28
Podiatrists	2
Practicing Psychologists	6
Psychological Associates	16

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	57,292	14,215	34,803	8,274
Nonwhite	33,151	10,731	19,592	2,828
Total	90,443	24,946	54,395	11,102
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.6%	60.1%	12.3%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	44,258
Employed 2003	40,849
Unemployed 2003	3,409
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	7.7
Per Capita Income 2002	\$25,998
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	18,227

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	1,200	Total Pregnancies	1,470	Total Pregnancy Rate	69.3
Resident Deaths	907	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	205	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	69.8
% Births <2500 gms	10.1				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	9.2	White	6.9	Nonwhite	12.5
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	11,334	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	270	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	479
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Coastal

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	548
Primary Care Physicians	210
<i>Family Practice</i>	52
<i>General Practice</i>	4
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	89
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	39
<i>Pediatrics</i>	26
Other Specialties	338
Physicians per 10,000 Population	32.0
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	12.3
Federal Physicians**	2

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	122
Dental Hygienists	139

Nurses

Registered Nurses	2,404
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	75
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	4
Licensed Practical Nurses	507

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	58
Optometrists	28
Pharmacists	184
Physical Therapists	135
Physical Therapist Assistants	46
Physician Assistants	87
Podiatrists	12
Practicing Psychologists	55
Psychological Associates	46

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	139,400	30,991	89,532	18,877
Nonwhite	31,879	10,440	18,442	2,997
Total	171,279	41,431	107,974	21,874
% of Pop.	100.0%	24.2%	63.0%	12.8%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	90,470
Employed 2003	85,687
Unemployed 2003	4,783
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	5.3
Per Capita Income 2002	\$29,408
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	25,520

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	2,039	Total Pregnancies	2,721	Total Pregnancy Rate	61.7
Resident Deaths	1,417	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	320	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	54.3
% Births <2500 gms	9.9				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	3.4	White	1.9	Nonwhite	8.3
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	18,454	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	647	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	799
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

Northampton



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Area L

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	9
Primary Care Physicians	7
Family Practice	2
General Practice	1
Internal Medicine	2
Obstetrics/Gynecology	0
Pediatrics	2
Other Specialties	2
Physicians per 10,000 Population	4.1
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	3.2
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	1
Dental Hygienists	1

Nurses

Registered Nurses	64
Nurse Practitioners	3
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	49

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	0
Optometrists	0
Pharmacists	4
Physical Therapists	0
Physical Therapist Assistants	1
Physician Assistants	2
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	1
Psychological Associates	1

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	8,807	1,817	5,093	1,897
Nonwhite	13,400	3,808	7,614	1,978
Total	22,207	5,625	12,707	3,875
% of Pop.	100.0%	25.3%	57.2%	17.4%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	8,435
Employed 2003	7,714
Unemployed 2003	721
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	8.5
Per Capita Income 2002	\$22,084
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	7,045

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	210	Total Pregnancies	265	Total Pregnancy Rate	59.2
Resident Deaths	284	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	49	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	66.0
% Births <2500 gms	14.3				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	28.6	White	0.0	Nonwhite	42.9
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	3,311	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	0	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	149
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	124
Primary Care Physicians	59
Family Practice	15
General Practice	3
Internal Medicine	13
Obstetrics/Gynecology	13
Pediatrics	15
Other Specialties	65
Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.2
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	3.9
Federal Physicians**	61

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	46
Dental Hygienists	99

Nurses

Registered Nurses	762
Nurse Practitioners	25
Certified Nurse Midwives	2
Licensed Practical Nurses	242

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	11
Optometrists	11
Pharmacists	63
Physical Therapists	35
Physical Therapist Assistants	16
Physician Assistants	29
Podiatrists	6
Practicing Psychologists	16
Psychological Associates	10

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	115,056	34,731	71,851	8,474
Nonwhite	35,577	13,230	20,523	1,824
Total	150,633	47,961	92,374	10,298
% of Pop.	100.0%	31.8%	61.3%	6.8%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	51,531
Employed 2003	48,578
Unemployed 2003	2,953
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	5.7
Per Capita Income 2002	\$25,317
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	19,879

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	3,114	Total Pregnancies	3,696	Total Pregnancy Rate	88.0
Resident Deaths	753	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	546	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	95.6
% Births <2500 gms	8.2				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	8.3	White	6.3	Nonwhite	15.1
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	12,267	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	133	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	359
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**Includes NC Medical Board licensed federal physicians in the armed services, US Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

+Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Greensboro

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	1,130
Primary Care Physicians	424
Family Practice	94
General Practice	3
Internal Medicine	168
Obstetrics/Gynecology	58
Pediatrics	101
Other Specialties	706
Physicians per 10,000 Population	90.1
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	33.8
Federal Physicians**	13

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	135
Dental Hygienists	85

Nurses

Registered Nurses	2,401
Nurse Practitioners	110
Certified Nurse Midwives	11
Licensed Practical Nurses	142

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	19
Optometrists	15
Pharmacists	232
Physical Therapists	126
Physical Therapist Assistants	16
Physician Assistants	40
Podiatrists	4
Practicing Psychologists	192
Psychological Associates	25

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	100,961	26,621	65,648	8,692
Nonwhite	24,411	7,492	15,112	1,807
Total	125,372	34,113	80,760	10,499
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.2%	64.4%	8.4%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	66,116
Employed 2003	64,059
Unemployed 2003	2,057
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	3.1
Per Capita Income 2002	\$33,375
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	10,098

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	1,356	Total Pregnancies	1,874	Total Pregnancy Rate	46.3
Resident Deaths	678	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	171	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	24.5
% Births <2500 gms	9.7				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	5.9	White	5.8	Nonwhite	6.2
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	8,699	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	582	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	478
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** Includes NC Medical Board licensed federal physicians in the armed services, US Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

⁺Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

⁺⁺Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	9
Primary Care Physicians	8
Family Practice	3
General Practice	3
Internal Medicine	0
Obstetrics/Gynecology	0
Pediatrics	2
Other Specialties	1
Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.8
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.1
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	4
Dental Hygienists	2

Nurses

Registered Nurses	51
Nurse Practitioners	4
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	17

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	0
Optometrists	0
Pharmacists	5
Physical Therapists	1
Physical Therapist Assistants	1
Physician Assistants	2
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	1

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	9,708	1,995	5,752	1,961
Nonwhite	3,436	844	2,047	545
Total	13,144	2,839	7,799	2,506
% of Pop.	100.0%	21.6%	59.3%	19.1%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	5,749
Employed 2003	5,491
Unemployed 2003	258
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	4.5
Per Capita Income 2002	\$24,565
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	2,642

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	100	Total Pregnancies	119	Total Pregnancy Rate	50.6
Resident Deaths	157	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	23	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	63.0
% Births <2500 gms	7.0				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	10.0	White	15.6	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	1,689	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	0	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	96
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**Includes NC Medical Board licensed federal physicians in the armed services, US Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	97
Primary Care Physicians	38
Family Practice	8
General Practice	1
Internal Medicine	11
Obstetrics/Gynecology	7
Pediatrics	11
Other Specialties	59
Physicians per 10,000 Population	27.2
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	10.7
Federal Physicians**	2

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	13
Dental Hygienists	7

Nurses

Registered Nurses	460
Nurse Practitioners	15
Certified Nurse Midwives	3
Licensed Practical Nurses	140

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	6
Optometrists	4
Pharmacists	31
Physical Therapists	18
Physical Therapist Assistants	17
Physician Assistants	10
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	8
Psychological Associates	3

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	20,206	4,757	12,159	3,290
Nonwhite	15,472	4,982	8,873	1,617
Total	35,678	9,739	21,032	4,907
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.3%	58.9%	13.8%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	16,602
Employed 2003	15,906
Unemployed 2003	696
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	4.2
Per Capita Income 2002	\$21,576
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	8,440

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	462	Total Pregnancies	604	Total Pregnancy Rate	67.5
Resident Deaths	337	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	105	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	74.7
% Births <2500 gms	10.6				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	10.8	White	3.8	Nonwhite	20.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	4,126	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	182	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	266
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Coastal

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	19
Primary Care Physicians	11
Family Practice	3
General Practice	1
Internal Medicine	6
Obstetrics/Gynecology	0
Pediatrics	1
Other Specialties	8
Physicians per 10,000 Population	4.3
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	2.5
Federal Physicians**	1

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	9
Dental Hygienists	15

Nurses

Registered Nurses	161
Nurse Practitioners	12
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	77

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	4
Optometrists	5
Pharmacists	27
Physical Therapists	6
Physical Therapist Assistants	7
Physician Assistants	4
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	3
Psychological Associates	5

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	34,010	8,116	21,070	4,824
Nonwhite	10,538	2,911	6,232	1,395
Total	44,548	11,027	27,302	6,219
% of Pop.	100.0%	24.8%	61.3%	14.0%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	19,572
Employed 2003	18,147
Unemployed 2003	1,425
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	7.3
Per Capita Income 2002	\$21,720
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	8,345

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	487	Total Pregnancies	592	Total Pregnancy Rate	64.4
Resident Deaths	381	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	76	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	57.1
% Births <2500 gms	9.9				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	10.3	White	7.6	Nonwhite	22.2
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	4,796	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	43	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	253
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

Perquimans



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	2
Primary Care Physicians	2
Family Practice	1
General Practice	0
Internal Medicine	1
Obstetrics/Gynecology	0
Pediatrics	0
Other Specialties	0
Physicians per 10,000 Population	1.7
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	1.7
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	2
Dental Hygienists	1

Nurses

Registered Nurses	37
Nurse Practitioners	0
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	27

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	0
Optometrists	0
Pharmacists	4
Physical Therapists	0
Physical Therapist Assistants	3
Physician Assistants	1
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	1

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	8,419	1,828	4,854	1,737
Nonwhite	3,259	922	1,794	543
Total	11,678	2,750	6,648	2,280
% of Pop.	100.0%	23.5%	56.9%	19.5%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	5,337
Employed 2003	5,142
Unemployed 2003	195
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	3.7
Per Capita Income 2002	\$21,603
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	2,633

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	117	Total Pregnancies	137	Total Pregnancy Rate	58.5
Resident Deaths	158	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	27	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	70.1
% Births <2500 gms	6.8				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	8.5	White	0.0	Nonwhite	25.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	1,330	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	0	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	78
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Wake

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	31
Primary Care Physicians	17
Family Practice	7
General Practice	0
Internal Medicine	8
Obstetrics/Gynecology	2
Pediatrics	0
Other Specialties	14
Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.3
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	4.6
Federal Physicians**	2

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	9
Dental Hygienists	9

Nurses

Registered Nurses	182
Nurse Practitioners	3
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	64

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	5
Optometrists	3
Pharmacists	26
Physical Therapists	11
Physical Therapist Assistants	2
Physician Assistants	5
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	1

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	26,328	6,306	16,224	3,798
Nonwhite	10,864	3,274	6,338	1,252
Total	37,192	9,580	22,562	5,050
% of Pop.	100.0%	25.8%	60.7%	13.6%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	17,295
Employed 2003	15,750
Unemployed 2003	1,545
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	8.9
Per Capita Income 2002	\$23,690
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	6,944

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	476	Total Pregnancies	597	Total Pregnancy Rate	72.1
Resident Deaths	357	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	70	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	61.7
% Births <2500 gms	7.8				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	6.3	White	3.0	Nonwhite	14.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	4,155	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	50	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	200
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



■ **2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*** ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	596
Primary Care Physicians	235
<i>Family Practice</i>	61
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	84
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	36
<i>Pediatrics</i>	54
Other Specialties	361
Physicians per 10,000 Population	42.7
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	16.8
Federal Physicians**	3

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	51
Dental Hygienists	46

Nurses

Registered Nurses	2,499
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	82
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	15
Licensed Practical Nurses	271

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	13
Optometrists	17
Pharmacists	182
Physical Therapists	86
Physical Therapist Assistants	38
Physician Assistants	66
Podiatrists	6
Practicing Psychologists	40
Psychological Associates	32

■ **DEMOGRAPHICS** ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	88,999	23,031	56,713	9,255
Nonwhite	50,522	17,229	29,214	4,079
Total	139,521	40,260	85,927	13,334
% of Pop.	100.0%	28.9%	61.6%	9.6%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	72,983
Employed 2003	68,094
Unemployed 2003	4,889
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.7
Per Capita Income 2002	\$24,731
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	26,338

■ **HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS** ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	1,987	Total Pregnancies	2,429	Total Pregnancy Rate	54.4
Resident Deaths	1,059	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	318	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	46.9
% Births <2500 gms	10.4				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	10.6	White	5.3	Nonwhite	17.5
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	13,729	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	604	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	554
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⁺⁺Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Mountain

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	23
Primary Care Physicians	12
<i>Family Practice</i>	8
<i>General Practice</i>	1
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	2
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	1
<i>Pediatrics</i>	0
Other Specialties	11
Physicians per 10,000 Population	11.8
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.1
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	7
Dental Hygienists	7

Nurses

Registered Nurses	160
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	6
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	52

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	7
Optometrists	4
Pharmacists	13
Physical Therapists	7
Physical Therapist Assistants	7
Physician Assistants	1
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	5
Psychological Associates	1

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	18,210	3,850	10,084	4,276
Nonwhite	1,331	387	757	187
Total	19,541	4,237	10,841	4,463
% of Pop.	100.0%	21.7%	55.5%	22.8%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	8,584
Employed 2003	8,275
Unemployed 2003	309
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	3.6
Per Capita Income 2002	\$31,719
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	2,439

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	160	Total Pregnancies	205	Total Pregnancy Rate	60.5
Resident Deaths	283	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	30	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	61.2
% Births <2500 gms	5.0				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	0.0	White	0.0	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	1,902	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	55	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	221
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

Randolph



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Greensboro

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	123
Primary Care Physicians	70
Family Practice	37
General Practice	2
Internal Medicine	18
Obstetrics/Gynecology	4
Pediatrics	9
Other Specialties	53
Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.9
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.1
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	34
Dental Hygienists	65

Nurses

Registered Nurses	499
Nurse Practitioners	12
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	165

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	13
Optometrists	10
Pharmacists	55
Physical Therapists	16
Physical Therapist Assistants	18
Physician Assistants	11
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	3
Psychological Associates	8

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	127,335	34,393	77,300	15,642
Nonwhite	10,160	3,404	5,926	830
Total	137,495	37,797	83,226	16,472
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.5%	60.5%	12.0%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	74,961
Employed 2003	70,393
Unemployed 2003	4,568
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.1
Per Capita Income 2002	\$23,629
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	22,643

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	1,757	Total Pregnancies	1,993	Total Pregnancy Rate	64.6
Resident Deaths	1,132	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	266	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	61.7
% Births <2500 gms	7.1				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	9.7	White	9.8	Nonwhite	7.8
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	13,459	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	145	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	720
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⁺Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

⁺⁺Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Southern Regional

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	51
Primary Care Physicians	34
Family Practice	15
General Practice	1
Internal Medicine	11
Obstetrics/Gynecology	3
Pediatrics	4
Other Specialties	17
Physicians per 10,000 Population	10.9
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.3
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	14
Dental Hygienists	10

Nurses

Registered Nurses	373
Nurse Practitioners	14
Certified Nurse Midwives	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	105

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	3
Optometrists	4
Pharmacists	31
Physical Therapists	10
Physical Therapist Assistants	6
Physician Assistants	6
Podiatrists	2
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	7

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	30,677	7,676	18,112	4,889
Nonwhite	16,177	5,748	8,969	1,460
Total	46,854	13,424	27,081	6,349
% of Pop.	100.0%	28.7%	57.8%	13.6%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	19,022
Employed 2003	16,791
Unemployed 2003	2,231
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	11.7
Per Capita Income 2002	\$21,163
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	13,209

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	581	Total Pregnancies	682	Total Pregnancy Rate	63.5
Resident Deaths	549	Teen Pregnancies	127	Teen Pregnancy Rate	82.6
% Births <2500 gms	10.3	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	10.3	White	2.7	Nonwhite	23.5
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	9,424	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	162	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	276
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**Includes NC Medical Board licensed federal physicians in the armed services, US Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

+Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Southern Regional

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	135
Primary Care Physicians	75
Family Practice	25
General Practice	1
Internal Medicine	27
Obstetrics/Gynecology	9
Pediatrics	13
Other Specialties	60
Physicians per 10,000 Population	10.5
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.9
Federal Physicians**	2

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	24
Dental Hygienists	33

Nurses

Registered Nurses	729
Nurse Practitioners	23
Certified Nurse Midwives	4
Licensed Practical Nurses	249

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	16
Optometrists	13
Pharmacists	72
Physical Therapists	28
Physical Therapist Assistants	21
Physician Assistants	47
Podiatrists	2
Practicing Psychologists	6
Psychological Associates	6

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	44,860	11,569	27,172	6,119
Nonwhite	83,112	28,843	47,701	6,568
Total	127,972	40,412	74,873	12,687
% of Pop.	100.0%	31.6%	58.5%	9.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	50,623
Employed 2003	45,574
Unemployed 2003	5,049
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	10.0
Per Capita Income 2002	\$18,328
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	42,622

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	2,032	Total Pregnancies	2,379	Total Pregnancy Rate	74.9
Resident Deaths	1,138	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	486	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	102.7
% Births <2500 gms	12.5				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	13.8	White	9.7	Nonwhite	16.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	20,447	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	255	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	528
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+Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Greensboro

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	100
Primary Care Physicians	51
Family Practice	20
General Practice	0
Internal Medicine	17
Obstetrics/Gynecology	6
Pediatrics	8
Other Specialties	49
Physicians per 10,000 Population	10.8
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.5
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	26
Dental Hygienists	47

Nurses

Registered Nurses	535
Nurse Practitioners	14
Certified Nurse Midwives	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	190

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	10
Optometrists	7
Pharmacists	68
Physical Therapists	19
Physical Therapist Assistants	12
Physician Assistants	12
Podiatrists	3
Practicing Psychologists	1
Psychological Associates	2

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	73,850	17,898	44,337	11,615
Nonwhite	19,133	5,586	11,271	2,276
Total	92,983	23,484	55,608	13,891
% of Pop.	100.0%	25.3%	59.8%	14.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	45,501
Employed 2003	41,111
Unemployed 2003	4,390
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	9.6
Per Capita Income 2002	\$22,930
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	18,040

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	1,140	Total Pregnancies	1,354	Total Pregnancy Rate	65.9
Resident Deaths	1,048	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	201	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	71.6
% Births <2500 gms	9.4				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	9.6	White	10.6	Nonwhite	5.1
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	12,867	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	218	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	555
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	150
Primary Care Physicians	72
Family Practice	31
General Practice	2
Internal Medicine	21
Obstetrics/Gynecology	6
Pediatrics	12
Other Specialties	78
Physicians per 10,000 Population	11.0
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.3
Federal Physicians**	31

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	47
Dental Hygienists	58

Nurses

Registered Nurses	967
Nurse Practitioners	23
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	271

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	11
Optometrists	13
Pharmacists	98
Physical Therapists	39
Physical Therapist Assistants	28
Physician Assistants	27
Podiatrists	3
Practicing Psychologists	20
Psychological Associates	9

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	111,886	29,142	66,594	16,150
Nonwhite	24,236	8,269	13,842	2,125
Total	136,122	37,411	80,436	18,275
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.5%	59.1%	13.4%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	70,368
Employed 2003	64,030
Unemployed 2003	6,338
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	9.0
Per Capita Income 2002	\$24,910
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	22,798

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	1,690	Total Pregnancies	1,991	Total Pregnancy Rate	63.9
Resident Deaths	1,361	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	274	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	62.5
% Births <2500 gms	9.3				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.7	White	6.4	Nonwhite	13.7
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 [†]	13,886	General Hospital Beds 2003 ^{††}	263	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	885
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††Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

Rutherford



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Mountain

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	83
Primary Care Physicians	44
Family Practice	20
General Practice	0
Internal Medicine	13
Obstetrics/Gynecology	5
Pediatrics	6
Other Specialties	39
Physicians per 10,000 Population	12.9
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.8
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	17
Dental Hygienists	35

Nurses

Registered Nurses	425
Nurse Practitioners	9
Certified Nurse Midwives	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	199

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	9
Optometrists	5
Pharmacists	38
Physical Therapists	11
Physical Therapist Assistants	13
Physician Assistants	9
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	6
Psychological Associates	6

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	56,476	13,912	33,113	9,451
Nonwhite	8,037	2,666	4,542	829
Total	64,513	16,578	37,655	10,280
% of Pop.	100.0%	25.7%	58.4%	15.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	29,600
Employed 2003	26,583
Unemployed 2003	3,017
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	10.2
Per Capita Income 2002	\$22,355
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	13,679

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	746	Total Pregnancies	862	Total Pregnancy Rate	61.9
Resident Deaths	767	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	140	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	71.3
% Births <2500 gms	9.9				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	13.4	White	9.2	Nonwhite	41.7
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	7,418	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	129	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	420
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Southern Regional

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	46
Primary Care Physicians	25
Family Practice	18
General Practice	1
Internal Medicine	3
Obstetrics/Gynecology	1
Pediatrics	2
Other Specialties	21
Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.2
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	3.9
Federal Physicians**	1

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	9
Dental Hygienists	22

Nurses

Registered Nurses	342
Nurse Practitioners	10
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	152

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	5
Optometrists	4
Pharmacists	34
Physical Therapists	9
Physical Therapist Assistants	12
Physician Assistants	11
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	2

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	43,331	11,872	25,963	5,496
Nonwhite	20,652	6,358	11,872	2,422
Total	63,983	18,230	37,835	7,918
% of Pop.	100.0%	28.5%	59.1%	12.4%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	25,698
Employed 2003	24,008
Unemployed 2003	1,690
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.6
Per Capita Income 2002	\$23,476
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	15,983

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	890	Total Pregnancies	998	Total Pregnancy Rate	68.9
Resident Deaths	613	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	154	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	77.2
% Births <2500 gms	9.0				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	9.0	White	7.8	Nonwhite	12.1
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	8,154	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	116	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	342
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⁺⁺Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

Scotland



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Southern Regional

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	55
Primary Care Physicians	31
<i>Family Practice</i>	10
<i>General Practice</i>	2
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	8
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	5
<i>Pediatrics</i>	6
Other Specialties	24
Physicians per 10,000 Population	15.2
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.6
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	9
Dental Hygienists	10

Nurses

Registered Nurses	315
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	3
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	2
Licensed Practical Nurses	107

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	5
Optometrists	4
Pharmacists	28
Physical Therapists	10
Physical Therapist Assistants	8
Physician Assistants	11
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	3
Psychological Associates	1

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	18,610	4,627	11,300	2,683
Nonwhite	17,638	6,219	9,941	1,478
Total	36,248	10,846	21,241	4,161
% of Pop.	100.0%	29.9%	58.6%	11.5%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	18,601
Employed 2003	16,321
Unemployed 2003	2,280
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	12.3
Per Capita Income 2002	\$21,284
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	11,476

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	494	Total Pregnancies	604	Total Pregnancy Rate	66.7
Resident Deaths	312	Teen Pregnancies	104	Teen Pregnancy Rate	76.5
% Births <2500 gms	12.8	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	10.1	White	9.2	Nonwhite	10.8
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	4,711	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	97	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	207
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Charlotte

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	81
Primary Care Physicians	45
Family Practice	17
General Practice	0
Internal Medicine	15
Obstetrics/Gynecology	6
Pediatrics	7
Other Specialties	36
Physicians per 10,000 Population	13.5
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.5
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	15
Dental Hygienists	24

Nurses

Registered Nurses	390
Nurse Practitioners	10
Certified Nurse Midwives	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	155

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	4
Optometrists	4
Pharmacists	37
Physical Therapists	12
Physical Therapist Assistants	16
Physician Assistants	13
Podiatrists	2
Practicing Psychologists	2
Psychological Associates	5

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	51,308	13,084	30,449	7,775
Nonwhite	8,737	3,195	4,892	650
Total	60,045	16,279	35,341	8,425
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.1%	58.9%	14.0%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	26,608
Employed 2003	24,305
Unemployed 2003	2,303
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	8.7
Per Capita Income 2002	\$23,193
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	10,142

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	753	Total Pregnancies	874	Total Pregnancy Rate	65.6
Resident Deaths	614	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	130	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	65.1
% Births <2500 gms	11.3				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	6.6	White	4.8	Nonwhite	15.4
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	7,632	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	97	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	406
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	16
Primary Care Physicians	13
Family Practice	10
General Practice	0
Internal Medicine	2
Obstetrics/Gynecology	0
Pediatrics	1
Other Specialties	3
Physicians per 10,000 Population	3.4
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	2.8
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	5
Dental Hygienists	10

Nurses

Registered Nurses	134
Nurse Practitioners	2
Certified Nurse Midwives	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	71

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	1
Optometrists	3
Pharmacists	19
Physical Therapists	9
Physical Therapist Assistants	5
Physician Assistants	4
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	2

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	44,242	11,617	27,249	5,376
Nonwhite	2,529	686	1,508	335
Total	46,771	12,303	28,757	5,711
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.3%	61.5%	12.2%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	23,087
Employed 2003	21,652
Unemployed 2003	1,435
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.2
Per Capita Income 2002	\$23,040
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	6,562

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	479	Total Pregnancies	531	Total Pregnancy Rate	51.7
Resident Deaths	411	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	49	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	35.8
% Births <2500 gms	8.4				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	2.1	White	2.2	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	4,695	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	53	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	322
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	110
Primary Care Physicians	62
Family Practice	27
General Practice	3
Internal Medicine	18
Obstetrics/Gynecology	7
Pediatrics	7
Other Specialties	48
Physicians per 10,000 Population	15.0
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.4
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	25
Dental Hygienists	34

Nurses

Registered Nurses	558
Nurse Practitioners	16
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	183

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	7
Optometrists	7
Pharmacists	51
Physical Therapists	16
Physical Therapist Assistants	16
Physician Assistants	16
Podiatrists	2
Practicing Psychologists	2
Psychological Associates	3

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	69,315	17,615	40,727	10,973
Nonwhite	4,121	1,411	2,276	434
Total	73,436	19,026	43,003	11,407
% of Pop.	100.0%	25.9%	58.6%	15.5%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	33,536
Employed 2003	30,618
Unemployed 2003	2,918
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	8.7
Per Capita Income 2002	\$23,999
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	13,657

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	923	Total Pregnancies	1,021	Total Pregnancy Rate	65.7
Resident Deaths	792	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	132	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	64.3
% Births <2500 gms	7.6				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	4.3	White	4.7	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	9,897	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	181	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	472
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Mountain

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	21
Primary Care Physicians	18
Family Practice	10
General Practice	1
Internal Medicine	5
Obstetrics/Gynecology	1
Pediatrics	1
Other Specialties	3
Physicians per 10,000 Population	15.5
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	13.3
Federal Physicians**	5

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	2
Dental Hygienists	6

Nurses

Registered Nurses	95
Nurse Practitioners	4
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	26

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	2
Optometrists	0
Pharmacists	4
Physical Therapists	4
Physical Therapist Assistants	5
Physician Assistants	8
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	3
Psychological Associates	2

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	9,023	1,921	5,382	1,720
Nonwhite	4,506	1,672	2,492	342
Total	13,529	3,593	7,874	2,062
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.6%	58.2%	15.2%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	8,026
Employed 2003	7,414
Unemployed 2003	612
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	7.6
Per Capita Income 2002	\$19,662
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	3,395

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	166	Total Pregnancies	188	Total Pregnancy Rate	65.9
Resident Deaths	162	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	36	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	85.9
% Births <2500 gms	1.8				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	0.0	White	0.0	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	1,663	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	48	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	120
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**Includes NC Medical Board licensed federal physicians in the armed services, US Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

+Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

Transylvania



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Mountain

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	42
Primary Care Physicians	25
<i>Family Practice</i>	11
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	9
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	2
<i>Pediatrics</i>	3
Other Specialties	17
Physicians per 10,000 Population	14.0
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.3
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	9
Dental Hygienists	13

Nurses

Registered Nurses	230
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	1
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	56

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	5
Optometrists	3
Pharmacists	18
Physical Therapists	11
Physical Therapist Assistants	8
Physician Assistants	5
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	1
Psychological Associates	1

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	28,319	5,954	15,926	6,439
Nonwhite	1,730	647	935	148
Total	30,049	6,601	16,861	6,587
% of Pop.	100.0%	22.0%	56.1%	21.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	10,651
Employed 2003	9,529
Unemployed 2003	1,122
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	10.5
Per Capita Income 2002	\$26,342
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	4,870

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	280	Total Pregnancies	331	Total Pregnancy Rate	56.8
Resident Deaths	387	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	50	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	56.3
% Births <2500 gms	5.7				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	10.7	White	7.4	Nonwhite	100.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	3,429	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	44	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	267
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**Includes NC Medical Board licensed federal physicians in the armed services, US Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

⁺Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

⁺⁺Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	1
Primary Care Physicians	1
Family Practice	1
General Practice	0
Internal Medicine	0
Obstetrics/Gynecology	0
Pediatrics	0
Other Specialties	0
Physicians per 10,000 Population	2.4
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	2.4
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	0
Dental Hygienists	0

Nurses

Registered Nurses	13
Nurse Practitioners	1
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	2

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	0
Optometrists	1
Pharmacists	1
Physical Therapists	0
Physical Therapist Assistants	0
Physician Assistants	1
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	0

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	2,451	538	1,460	453
Nonwhite	1,768	454	1,099	215
Total	4,219	992	2,559	668
% of Pop.	100.0%	23.5%	60.7%	15.8%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	2,255
Employed 2003	2,046
Unemployed 2003	209
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	9.3
Per Capita Income 2002	\$18,800
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	956

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	40	Total Pregnancies	46	Total Pregnancy Rate	59.5
Resident Deaths	61	Teen Pregnancies	8	Teen Pregnancy Rate	64.0
% Births <2500 gms	7.5	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	0.0	White	0.0	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	420	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	0	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	0
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MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Charlotte

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	128
Primary Care Physicians	67
Family Practice	30
General Practice	5
Internal Medicine	17
Obstetrics/Gynecology	8
Pediatrics	7
Other Specialties	61
Physicians per 10,000 Population	9.1
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	4.8
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	28
Dental Hygienists	54

Nurses

Registered Nurses	613
Nurse Practitioners	5
Certified Nurse Midwives	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	152

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	17
Optometrists	8
Pharmacists	56
Physical Therapists	20
Physical Therapist Assistants	21
Physician Assistants	25
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	7
Psychological Associates	4

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	121,176	36,303	73,693	11,180
Nonwhite	18,852	6,800	10,728	1,324
Total	140,028	43,103	84,421	12,504
% of Pop.	100.0%	30.8%	60.3%	8.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	73,928
Employed 2003	70,275
Unemployed 2003	3,653
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	4.9
Per Capita Income 2002	\$26,227
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	17,050

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	2,312	Total Pregnancies	2,628	Total Pregnancy Rate	79.3
Resident Deaths	942	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	264	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	59.0
% Births <2500 gms	6.6				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	6.1	White	4.5	Nonwhite	15.3
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	13,277	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	157	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	447
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Wake

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	63
Primary Care Physicians	31
<i>Family Practice</i>	15
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	5
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	6
<i>Pediatrics</i>	5
Other Specialties	32
Physicians per 10,000 Population	14.2
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.0
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	11
Dental Hygienists	7

Nurses

Registered Nurses	265
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	7
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	100

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	6
Optometrists	8
Pharmacists	33
Physical Therapists	15
Physical Therapist Assistants	5
Physician Assistants	13
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	5
Psychological Associates	2

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	22,046	5,483	13,132	3,431
Nonwhite	22,443	7,664	12,696	2,083
Total	44,489	13,147	25,828	5,514
% of Pop.	100.0%	29.6%	58.1%	12.4%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	19,138
Employed 2003	16,586
Unemployed 2003	2,552
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	13.3
Per Capita Income 2002	\$21,880
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	14,346

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	693	Total Pregnancies	854	Total Pregnancy Rate	80.0
Resident Deaths	481	Teen Pregnancies	166	Teen Pregnancy Rate	110.4
% Births <2500 gms	11.5	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	15.9	White	14.7	Nonwhite	17.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	5,866	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	91	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	232
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Wake

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	1,498
Primary Care Physicians	651
Family Practice	157
General Practice	8
Internal Medicine	213
Obstetrics/Gynecology	95
Pediatrics	178
Other Specialties	847
Physicians per 10,000 Population	21.3
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	9.3
Federal Physicians**	6

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	448
Dental Hygienists	445

Nurses

Registered Nurses	6,866
Nurse Practitioners	167
Certified Nurse Midwives	6
Licensed Practical Nurses	956

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	135
Optometrists	96
Pharmacists	738
Physical Therapists	397
Physical Therapist Assistants	81
Physician Assistants	168
Podiatrists	25
Practicing Psychologists	246
Psychological Associates	78

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	528,413	143,296	343,147	41,970
Nonwhite	174,249	57,057	107,879	9,313
Total	702,662	200,353	451,026	51,283
% of Pop.	100.0%	28.5%	64.2%	7.3%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	394,369
Employed 2003	375,670
Unemployed 2003	18,699
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	4.7
Per Capita Income 2002	\$35,515
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	68,469

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	10,924	Total Pregnancies	13,898	Total Pregnancy Rate	73.9
Resident Deaths	3,360	Teen Pregnancies	999	Teen Pregnancy Rate	44.4
% Births <2500 gms	7.7	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	5.5	White	4.3	Nonwhite	8.8
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	55,329	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	1,203	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	2,199
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Wake

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	8
Primary Care Physicians	7
<i>Family Practice</i>	3
<i>General Practice</i>	2
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	2
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	0
<i>Pediatrics</i>	0
Other Specialties	1
Physicians per 10,000 Population	3.9
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	3.4
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	5
Dental Hygienists	4

Nurses

Registered Nurses	51
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	3
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	34

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	0
Optometrists	0
Pharmacists	8
Physical Therapists	2
Physical Therapist Assistants	1
Physician Assistants	2
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	1
Psychological Associates	0

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	8,206	1,578	4,896	1,732
Nonwhite	12,331	3,548	7,033	1,750
Total	20,537	5,126	11,929	3,482
% of Pop.	100.0%	25.0%	58.1%	17.0%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	6,928
Employed 2003	6,247
Unemployed 2003	681
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	9.8
Per Capita Income 2002	\$17,878
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	5,584

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	180	Total Pregnancies	230	Total Pregnancy Rate	57.7
Resident Deaths	228	Teen Pregnancies	35	Teen Pregnancy Rate	53.4
% Births <2500 gms	13.3	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	27.8	White	0.0	Nonwhite	41.7
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	1,633	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	0	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	140
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

Washington



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	8
Primary Care Physicians	5
Family Practice	1
General Practice	2
Internal Medicine	2
Obstetrics/Gynecology	0
Pediatrics	0
Other Specialties	3
Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.9
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	3.7
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	3
Dental Hygienists	1

Nurses

Registered Nurses	61
Nurse Practitioners	1
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	34

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	2
Optometrists	2
Pharmacists	6
Physical Therapists	1
Physical Therapist Assistants	2
Physician Assistants	3
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	0

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	6,631	1,383	3,877	1,371
Nonwhite	6,898	2,245	3,850	803
Total	13,529	3,628	7,727	2,174
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.8%	57.1%	16.1%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	6,105
Employed 2003	5,564
Unemployed 2003	541
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	8.9
Per Capita Income 2002	\$20,969
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	4,133

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	158	Total Pregnancies	181	Total Pregnancy Rate	63.2
Resident Deaths	147	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	30	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	60.4
% Births <2500 gms	12.0				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	19.0	White	18.2	Nonwhite	19.4
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	1,810	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	49	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	114
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

Watauga



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	91
Primary Care Physicians	39
Family Practice	13
General Practice	0
Internal Medicine	9
Obstetrics/Gynecology	7
Pediatrics	10
Other Specialties	52
Physicians per 10,000 Population	20.9
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.9
Federal Physicians**	1

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	22
Dental Hygienists	19

Nurses

Registered Nurses	357
Nurse Practitioners	13
Certified Nurse Midwives	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	71

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	7
Optometrists	5
Pharmacists	34
Physical Therapists	23
Physical Therapist Assistants	17
Physician Assistants	4
Podiatrists	3
Practicing Psychologists	27
Psychological Associates	6

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	42,247	10,614	26,799	4,834
Nonwhite	1,385	460	859	66
Total	43,632	11,074	27,658	4,900
% of Pop.	100.0%	25.4%	63.4%	11.2%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	25,421
Employed 2003	24,806
Unemployed 2003	615
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	2.4
Per Capita Income 2002	\$24,265
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	3,745

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	338	Total Pregnancies	449	Total Pregnancy Rate	30.1
Resident Deaths	308	Teen Pregnancies	51	Teen Pregnancy Rate	18.5
% Births <2500 gms	9.2	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	5.9	White	6.0	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	3,901	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	145	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	196
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	179
Primary Care Physicians	79
Family Practice	25
General Practice	5
Internal Medicine	29
Obstetrics/Gynecology	9
Pediatrics	11
Other Specialties	100
Physicians per 10,000 Population	15.5
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.9
Federal Physicians**	6

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	43
Dental Hygienists	65

Nurses

Registered Nurses	952
Nurse Practitioners	25
Certified Nurse Midwives	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	304

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	11
Optometrists	10
Pharmacists	88
Physical Therapists	24
Physical Therapist Assistants	25
Physician Assistants	26
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	16
Psychological Associates	31

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	74,020	19,751	44,489	9,780
Nonwhite	41,148	13,338	23,917	3,893
Total	115,168	33,089	68,406	13,673
% of Pop.	100.0%	28.7%	59.4%	11.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	51,492
Employed 2003	48,466
Unemployed 2003	3,026
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	5.9
Per Capita Income 2002	\$23,376
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	24,544

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	1,660	Total Pregnancies	1,960	Total Pregnancy Rate	70.8
Resident Deaths	1,032	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	295	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	72.7
% Births <2500 gms	10.4				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	9.6	White	2.9	Nonwhite	21.2
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	13,693	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	255	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	462
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	64
Primary Care Physicians	35
<i>Family Practice</i>	13
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	15
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	3
<i>Pediatrics</i>	4
Other Specialties	29
Physicians per 10,000 Population	9.5
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.2
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	18
Dental Hygienists	30

Nurses

Registered Nurses	434
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	12
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	83

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	10
Optometrists	7
Pharmacists	34
Physical Therapists	12
Physical Therapist Assistants	13
Physician Assistants	17
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	3
Psychological Associates	5

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	63,974	15,765	38,904	9,305
Nonwhite	3,357	965	1,974	418
Total	67,331	16,730	40,878	9,723
% of Pop.	100.0%	24.8%	60.7%	14.4%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	33,319
Employed 2003	30,745
Unemployed 2003	2,574
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	7.7
Per Capita Income 2002	\$24,266
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	13,052

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	877	Total Pregnancies	956	Total Pregnancy Rate	65.6
Resident Deaths	673	Teen Pregnancies	145	Teen Pregnancy Rate	73.5
% Births <2500 gms	7.2	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	8.0	White	8.5	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	8,978	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	120	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	417
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Area L

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	108
Primary Care Physicians	46
Family Practice	12
General Practice	1
Internal Medicine	21
Obstetrics/Gynecology	7
Pediatrics	5
Other Specialties	62
Physicians per 10,000 Population	14.2
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.1
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	21
Dental Hygienists	23

Nurses

Registered Nurses	582
Nurse Practitioners	15
Certified Nurse Midwives	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	158

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	8
Optometrists	12
Pharmacists	72
Physical Therapists	23
Physical Therapist Assistants	31
Physician Assistants	12
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	5
Psychological Associates	6

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	44,713	10,834	26,968	6,911
Nonwhite	31,285	10,258	18,093	2,934
Total	75,998	21,092	45,061	9,845
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.8%	59.3%	13.0%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	38,915
Employed 2003	35,332
Unemployed 2003	3,583
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	9.2
Per Capita Income 2002	\$24,205
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	17,548

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	1,079	Total Pregnancies	1,300	Total Pregnancy Rate	72.3
Resident Deaths	707	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	256	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	102.7
% Births <2500 gms	10.8				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	13.9	White	8.4	Nonwhite	20.8
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	9,068	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	294	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	375
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	17
Primary Care Physicians	16
<i>Family Practice</i>	11
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	4
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	0
<i>Pediatrics</i>	1
Other Specialties	1
Physicians per 10,000 Population	4.5
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	4.2
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	6
Dental Hygienists	15

Nurses

Registered Nurses	111
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	8
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	49

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	3
Optometrists	2
Pharmacists	13
Physical Therapists	3
Physical Therapist Assistants	4
Physician Assistants	3
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	1

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	36,432	9,590	21,670	5,172
Nonwhite	1,539	461	904	174
Total	37,971	10,051	22,574	5,346
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.5%	59.5%	14.1%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	18,769
Employed 2003	17,605
Unemployed 2003	1,164
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.2
Per Capita Income 2002	\$23,134
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	5,567

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	462	Total Pregnancies	512	Total Pregnancy Rate	62.5
Resident Deaths	389	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	64	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	57.5
% Births <2500 gms	6.5				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	10.8	White	11.3	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	4,512	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	22	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	223
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Mountain

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	15
Primary Care Physicians	15
Family Practice	6
General Practice	0
Internal Medicine	5
Obstetrics/Gynecology	0
Pediatrics	4
Other Specialties	0
Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.1
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.1
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	4
Dental Hygienists	3

Nurses

Registered Nurses	66
Nurse Practitioners	8
Certified Nurse Midwives	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	38

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	1
Optometrists	1
Pharmacists	6
Physical Therapists	4
Physical Therapist Assistants	2
Physician Assistants	0
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	1
Psychological Associates	1

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	18,146	4,159	10,655	3,332
Nonwhite	276	89	140	47
Total	18,422	4,248	10,795	3,379
% of Pop.	100.0%	23.1%	58.6%	18.3%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	6,094
Employed 2003	5,558
Unemployed 2003	536
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	8.8
Per Capita Income 2002	\$19,680
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	3,538

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	162	Total Pregnancies	181	Total Pregnancy Rate	51.5
Resident Deaths	167	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	17	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	35.3
% Births <2500 gms	6.2				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	0.0	White	0.0	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	2,114	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	8	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	140
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

State Total

Number of Counties in Region: 100



■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	17,090
Primary Care Physicians	7,265
Family Practice	2,347
General Practice	151
Internal Medicine	2,481
Obstetrics/Gynecology	960
Pediatrics	1,326
Other Specialties	9,825
Physicians per 10,000 Population	20.1
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.6
Federal Physicians**	473

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	3,462
Dental Hygienists	4,095

Nurses

Registered Nurses	76,334
Nurse Practitioners	2,122
Certified Nurse Midwives	196
Licensed Practical Nurses	16,946

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	1,160
Optometrists	885
Pharmacists	7,218
Physical Therapists	3,347
Physical Therapist Assistants	1,671
Physician Assistants	2,390
Podiatrists	234
Practicing Psychologists	1,626
Psychological Associates	927

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	6,333,501	1,605,438	3,891,421	836,642
Nonwhite	2,152,301	711,984	1,265,589	174,728
Total	8,485,802	2,317,422	5,157,010	1,011,370
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.3%	60.8%	11.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	4,229,788
Employed 2003	3,956,955
Unemployed 2003	272,833
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.5
Per Capita Income 2002	\$27,785
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	1,447,283

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	117,307	Total Pregnancies	144,012	Total Pregnancy Rate	70.0
Resident Deaths	71,780	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	17,976	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	64.2
% Births <2500 gms	9.0				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	8.2	White	5.9	Nonwhite	14.2
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	912,923	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	20,558	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	43,512
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⁺⁺Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

Nonmetropolitan

Number of Counties in Region: 65



■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	3,665
Primary Care Physicians	1,833
Family Practice	727
General Practice	58
Internal Medicine	592
Obstetrics/Gynecology	205
Pediatrics	251
Other Specialties	1,832
Physicians per 10,000 Population	13.5
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.8
Federal Physicians**	52

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	802
Dental Hygienists	1,071

Nurses

Registered Nurses	19,177
Nurse Practitioners	526
Certified Nurse Midwives	58
Licensed Practical Nurses	6,211

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	304
Optometrists	271
Pharmacists	1,826
Physical Therapists	779
Physical Therapist Assistants	576
Physician Assistants	569
Podiatrists	56
Practicing Psychologists	228
Psychological Associates	243

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	1,998,144	484,156	1,190,541	323,447
Nonwhite	713,951	229,399	410,389	74,163
Total	2,712,095	713,555	1,600,930	397,610
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.3%	59.0%	14.7%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	1,234,463
Employed 2003	1,141,312
Unemployed 2003	93,151
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	7.5
Per Capita Income 2002	\$23,419
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	577,443

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	34,118	Total Pregnancies	40,142	Total Pregnancy Rate	66.8
Resident Deaths	27,967	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	6,266	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	71.4
% Births <2500 gms	9.4				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	8.9	White	6.4	Nonwhite	14.8
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	345,789	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	6,415	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	16,671
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Metropolitan



Number of Counties in Region: 35

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	13,425
Primary Care Physicians	5,432
<i>Family Practice</i>	1,620
<i>General Practice</i>	93
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	1,889
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	755
<i>Pediatrics</i>	1,075
Other Specialties	7,993
Physicians per 10,000 Population	23.3
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	9.4
Federal Physicians**	421

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	2,660
Dental Hygienists	3,024

Nurses

Registered Nurses	57,157
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	1,596
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	138
Licensed Practical Nurses	10,735

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	856
Optometrists	614
Pharmacists	5,392
Physical Therapists	2,568
Physical Therapist Assistants	1,095
Physician Assistants	1,821
Podiatrists	178
Practicing Psychologists	1,398
Psychological Associates	684

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	4,335,357	1,121,282	2,700,880	513,195
Nonwhite	1,438,350	482,585	855,200	100,565
Total	5,773,707	1,603,867	3,556,080	613,760
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.8%	61.6%	10.6%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	2,995,325
Employed 2003	2,815,643
Unemployed 2003	179,682
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.0
Per Capita Income 2002	\$29,842
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	869,840

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	83,189	Total Pregnancies	103,870	Total Pregnancy Rate	71.3
Resident Deaths	43,813	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	11,710	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	60.9
% Births <2500 gms	8.8				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.9	White	5.7	Nonwhite	13.9
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	567,134	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	14,143	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	26,841
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

Southern Regional AHEC

Number of Counties in Region: 9



■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	1,062
Primary Care Physicians	518
Family Practice	183
General Practice	18
Internal Medicine	159
Obstetrics/Gynecology	71
Pediatrics	87
Other Specialties	544
Physicians per 10,000 Population	12.8
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.2
Federal Physicians**	145

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	234
Dental Hygienists	319

Nurses

Registered Nurses	5,569
Nurse Practitioners	158
Certified Nurse Midwives	14
Licensed Practical Nurses	2,059

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	74
Optometrists	81
Pharmacists	508
Physical Therapists	220
Physical Therapist Assistants	177
Physician Assistants	276
Podiatrists	19
Practicing Psychologists	65
Psychological Associates	65

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	494,951	131,912	299,306	63,733
Nonwhite	337,662	116,848	194,393	26,421
Total	832,613	248,760	493,699	90,154
% of Pop.	100.0%	29.9%	59.3%	10.8%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	346,385
Employed 2003	320,343
Unemployed 2003	26,042
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	7.5
Per Capita Income 2002	\$23,871
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	187,403

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	12,887	Total Pregnancies	15,773	Total Pregnancy Rate	76.1
Resident Deaths	6,910	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	2,362	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	81.9
% Births <2500 gms	10.0				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	10.9	White	7.5	Nonwhite	15.8
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	95,988	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	1,597	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	3,779
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⁺⁺Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



Number of Counties in Region: 8

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	2,585
Primary Care Physicians	1,067
Family Practice	325
General Practice	12
Internal Medicine	383
Obstetrics/Gynecology	133
Pediatrics	214
Other Specialties	1,518
Physicians per 10,000 Population	24.9
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	10.3
Federal Physicians**	16

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	497
Dental Hygienists	553

Nurses

Registered Nurses	9,279
Nurse Practitioners	315
Certified Nurse Midwives	30
Licensed Practical Nurses	1,604

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	115
Optometrists	103
Pharmacists	928
Physical Therapists	446
Physical Therapist Assistants	128
Physician Assistants	272
Podiatrists	30
Practicing Psychologists	307
Psychological Associates	105

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	779,684	197,425	477,643	104,616
Nonwhite	260,451	83,950	155,761	20,740
Total	1,040,135	281,375	633,404	125,356
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.1%	60.9%	12.1%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	547,152
Employed 2003	513,046
Unemployed 2003	34,106
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.2
Per Capita Income 2002	\$28,834
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	155,363

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	13,243	Total Pregnancies	16,739	Total Pregnancy Rate	63.9
Resident Deaths	8,680	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	2,036	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	53.8
% Births <2500 gms	8.7				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	9.1	White	7.0	Nonwhite	14.5
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	105,261	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	2,341	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	5,644
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	1,494
Primary Care Physicians	710
Family Practice	314
General Practice	14
Internal Medicine	207
Obstetrics/Gynecology	80
Pediatrics	95
Other Specialties	784
Physicians per 10,000 Population	21.3
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	10.1
Federal Physicians**	58

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	280
Dental Hygienists	404

Nurses

Registered Nurses	7,002
Nurse Practitioners	201
Certified Nurse Midwives	27
Licensed Practical Nurses	1,935

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	134
Optometrists	80
Pharmacists	558
Physical Therapists	374
Physical Therapist Assistants	196
Physician Assistants	201
Podiatrists	16
Practicing Psychologists	148
Psychological Associates	109

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	649,981	148,470	383,514	117,997
Nonwhite	52,574	17,403	30,127	5,044
Total	702,555	165,873	413,641	123,041
% of Pop.	100.0%	23.6%	58.9%	17.5%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	321,155
Employed 2003	303,787
Unemployed 2003	17,368
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	5.4
Per Capita Income 2002	\$24,909
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	122,708

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	7,742	Total Pregnancies	8,880	Total Pregnancy Rate	60.3
Resident Deaths	7,769	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	1,209	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	58.2
% Births <2500 gms	8.5				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	6.2	White	5.2	Nonwhite	16.3
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	78,012	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	1,862	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	5,638
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+Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	2,918
Primary Care Physicians	1,243
Family Practice	388
General Practice	20
Internal Medicine	437
Obstetrics/Gynecology	174
Pediatrics	224
Other Specialties	1,675
Physicians per 10,000 Population	19.6
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.4
Federal Physicians**	18

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	660
Dental Hygienists	806

Nurses

Registered Nurses	13,674
Nurse Practitioners	306
Certified Nurse Midwives	35
Licensed Practical Nurses	2,320

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	273
Optometrists	154
Pharmacists	1,208
Physical Therapists	525
Physical Therapist Assistants	349
Physician Assistants	349
Podiatrists	43
Practicing Psychologists	223
Psychological Associates	142

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	1,114,069	294,118	694,168	125,783
Nonwhite	371,313	126,818	221,542	22,953
Total	1,485,382	420,936	915,710	148,736
% of Pop.	100.0%	28.3%	61.6%	10.0%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	790,370
Employed 2003	737,782
Unemployed 2003	52,588
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.7
Per Capita Income 2002	\$32,389
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	228,460

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	22,460	Total Pregnancies	28,154	Total Pregnancy Rate	77.0
Resident Deaths	11,164	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	2,982	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	63.2
% Births <2500 gms	8.5				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.3	White	5.0	Nonwhite	13.7
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	151,958	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	3,588	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	6,609
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⁺Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

⁺⁺Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	730
Primary Care Physicians	310
Family Practice	86
General Practice	7
Internal Medicine	132
Obstetrics/Gynecology	50
Pediatrics	35
Other Specialties	420
Physicians per 10,000 Population	18.1
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.7
Federal Physicians**	4

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	171
Dental Hygienists	210

Nurses

Registered Nurses	3,681
Nurse Practitioners	115
Certified Nurse Midwives	5
Licensed Practical Nurses	997

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	88
Optometrists	51
Pharmacists	340
Physical Therapists	184
Physical Therapist Assistants	80
Physician Assistants	135
Podiatrists	15
Practicing Psychologists	62
Psychological Associates	55

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	314,906	72,660	195,557	46,689
Nonwhite	89,445	28,372	51,340	9,733
Total	404,351	101,032	246,897	56,422
% of Pop.	100.0%	25.0%	61.1%	14.0%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	193,562
Employed 2003	181,415
Unemployed 2003	12,147
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.3
Per Capita Income 2002	\$25,334
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	79,019

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	4,912	Total Pregnancies	6,160	Total Pregnancy Rate	66.1
Resident Deaths	3,661	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	854	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	65.6
% Births <2500 gms	9.9				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	6.7	White	4.8	Nonwhite	12.7
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	48,658	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	1,013	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	2,046
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

Area L AHEC

Number of Counties in Region: 5



■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	401
Primary Care Physicians	188
Family Practice	57
General Practice	6
Internal Medicine	72
Obstetrics/Gynecology	27
Pediatrics	26
Other Specialties	213
Physicians per 10,000 Population	13.3
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.3
Federal Physicians**	4

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	82
Dental Hygienists	79

Nurses

Registered Nurses	2,223
Nurse Practitioners	51
Certified Nurse Midwives	2
Licensed Practical Nurses	638

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	24
Optometrists	30
Pharmacists	191
Physical Therapists	83
Physical Therapist Assistants	98
Physician Assistants	56
Podiatrists	6
Practicing Psychologists	17
Psychological Associates	32

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	157,519	37,530	94,422	25,567
Nonwhite	143,011	45,488	82,736	14,787
Total	300,530	83,018	177,158	40,354
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.6%	58.9%	13.4%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	140,315
Employed 2003	127,538
Unemployed 2003	12,777
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	9.1
Per Capita Income 2002	\$23,502
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	79,196

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	3,989	Total Pregnancies	4,835	Total Pregnancy Rate	69.1
Resident Deaths	3,204	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	862	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	85.4
% Births <2500 gms	11.3				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	11.0	White	5.7	Nonwhite	16.1
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	41,099	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	871	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	1,665
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



Number of Counties in Region: 9

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	3,481
Primary Care Physicians	1,366
Family Practice	333
General Practice	24
Internal Medicine	502
Obstetrics/Gynecology	184
Pediatrics	323
Other Specialties	2,115
Physicians per 10,000 Population	26.2
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	10.3
Federal Physicians**	92

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	682
Dental Hygienists	681

Nurses

Registered Nurses	13,671
Nurse Practitioners	412
Certified Nurse Midwives	21
Licensed Practical Nurses	2,368

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	209
Optometrists	149
Pharmacists	1,609
Physical Therapists	686
Physical Therapist Assistants	141
Physician Assistants	452
Podiatrists	34
Practicing Psychologists	494
Psychological Associates	140

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	935,178	246,491	598,655	90,032
Nonwhite	395,105	126,821	240,304	27,980
Total	1,330,283	373,312	838,959	118,012
% of Pop.	100.0%	28.1%	63.1%	8.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	716,048
Employed 2003	677,316
Unemployed 2003	38,732
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	5.4
Per Capita Income 2002	\$31,240
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	182,470

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	20,339	Total Pregnancies	25,732	Total Pregnancy Rate	74.0
Resident Deaths	8,416	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	2,454	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	57.7
% Births <2500 gms	8.3				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	6.8	White	5.0	Nonwhite	11.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	121,190	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	3,022	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	5,323
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



Number of Counties in Region: 23

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	1,674
Primary Care Physicians	736
Family Practice	220
General Practice	27
Internal Medicine	251
Obstetrics/Gynecology	101
Pediatrics	137
Other Specialties	938
Physicians per 10,000 Population	18.0
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.9
Federal Physicians**	88

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	317
Dental Hygienists	388

Nurses

Registered Nurses	8,126
Nurse Practitioners	253
Certified Nurse Midwives	32
Licensed Practical Nurses	2,106

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	91
Optometrists	91
Pharmacists	703
Physical Therapists	301
Physical Therapist Assistants	196
Physician Assistants	225
Podiatrists	28
Practicing Psychologists	106
Psychological Associates	130

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	636,717	160,199	388,780	87,738
Nonwhite	294,756	95,390	169,566	29,800
Total	931,473	255,589	558,346	117,538
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.4%	59.9%	12.6%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	434,677
Employed 2003	408,607
Unemployed 2003	26,070
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.0
Per Capita Income 2002	\$24,406
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	183,613

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	13,353	Total Pregnancies	16,217	Total Pregnancy Rate	70.7
Resident Deaths	8,640	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	2,434	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	71.7
% Births <2500 gms	9.7				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	8.9	White	6.1	Nonwhite	14.1
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	106,064	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	2,226	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	4,663
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	2,745
Primary Care Physicians	1,127
Family Practice	441
General Practice	23
Internal Medicine	338
Obstetrics/Gynecology	140
Pediatrics	185
Other Specialties	1,618
Physicians per 10,000 Population	18.8
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.7
Federal Physicians**	48

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	539
Dental Hygienists	655

Nurses

Registered Nurses	13,109
Nurse Practitioners	311
Certified Nurse Midwives	30
Licensed Practical Nurses	2,919

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	152
Optometrists	146
Pharmacists	1,173
Physical Therapists	528
Physical Therapist Assistants	306
Physician Assistants	424
Podiatrists	43
Practicing Psychologists	204
Psychological Associates	149

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	1,250,496	316,633	759,376	174,487
Nonwhite	207,984	70,894	119,820	17,270
Total	1,458,480	387,527	879,196	191,757
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.6%	60.3%	13.1%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	740,124
Employed 2003	687,121
Unemployed 2003	53,003
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	7.2
Per Capita Income 2002	\$26,581
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	229,051

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	18,382	Total Pregnancies	21,522	Total Pregnancy Rate	64.1
Resident Deaths	13,336	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	2,783	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	60.6
% Births <2500 gms	9.0				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	8.2	White	6.5	Nonwhite	17.5
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	164,693	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	4,038	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	8,145
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

Western HSA I

Number of Counties in Region: 26



■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	2,456
Primary Care Physicians	1,162
Family Practice	531
General Practice	26
Internal Medicine	322
Obstetrics/Gynecology	135
Pediatrics	148
Other Specialties	1,294
Physicians per 10,000 Population	18.6
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.8
Federal Physicians**	59

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	483
Dental Hygienists	658

Nurses

Registered Nurses	11,885
Nurse Practitioners	340
Certified Nurse Midwives	52
Licensed Practical Nurses	3,029

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	204
Optometrists	134
Pharmacists	981
Physical Therapists	566
Physical Therapist Assistants	363
Physician Assistants	326
Podiatrists	33
Practicing Psychologists	234
Psychological Associates	205

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	1,203,159	286,000	721,234	195,925
Nonwhite	119,332	41,787	67,216	10,329
Total	1,322,491	327,787	788,450	206,254
% of Pop.	100.0%	24.8%	59.6%	15.6%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	626,564
Employed 2003	584,223
Unemployed 2003	42,341
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.8
Per Capita Income 2002	\$24,820
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	229,505

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	15,109	Total Pregnancies	17,267	Total Pregnancy Rate	59.8
Resident Deaths	13,481	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	2,394	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	58.4
% Births <2500 gms	8.5				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	6.6	White	5.8	Nonwhite	13.8
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	151,285	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	3,560	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	9,131
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

Piedmont HSA II

Number of Counties in Region: 11



■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	2,940
Primary Care Physicians	1,186
Family Practice	397
General Practice	19
Internal Medicine	400
Obstetrics/Gynecology	145
Pediatrics	225
Other Specialties	1,754
Physicians per 10,000 Population	19.6
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.9
Federal Physicians**	18

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	610
Dental Hygienists	746

Nurses

Registered Nurses	13,177
Nurse Practitioners	327
Certified Nurse Midwives	24
Licensed Practical Nurses	2,906

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	151
Optometrists	154
Pharmacists	1,241
Physical Therapists	574
Physical Therapist Assistants	204
Physician Assistants	484
Podiatrists	48
Practicing Psychologists	203
Psychological Associates	111

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	1,163,189	294,202	705,568	163,419
Nonwhite	338,479	110,608	200,821	27,050
Total	1,501,668	404,810	906,389	190,469
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.0%	60.4%	12.7%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	777,144
Employed 2003	725,995
Unemployed 2003	51,149
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.6
Per Capita Income 2002	\$28,009
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	233,638

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	19,527	Total Pregnancies	23,996	Total Pregnancy Rate	66.8
Resident Deaths	13,370	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	2,986	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	61.2
% Births <2500 gms	8.8				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	9.1	White	7.0	Nonwhite	16.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	161,927	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	3,680	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	8,343
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

Southern Piedmont HSA III



Number of Counties in Region: 8

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	3,150
Primary Care Physicians	1,327
Family Practice	418
General Practice	19
Internal Medicine	461
Obstetrics/Gynecology	189
Pediatrics	240
Other Specialties	1,823
Physicians per 10,000 Population	19.3
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.1
Federal Physicians**	49

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	731
Dental Hygienists	887

Nurses

Registered Nurses	15,163
Nurse Practitioners	332
Certified Nurse Midwives	34
Licensed Practical Nurses	2,459

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	293
Optometrists	173
Pharmacists	1,363
Physical Therapists	595
Physical Therapist Assistants	384
Physician Assistants	381
Podiatrists	46
Practicing Psychologists	250
Psychological Associates	148

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	1,249,468	330,864	775,932	142,672
Nonwhite	381,171	130,585	226,929	23,657
Total	1,630,639	461,449	1,002,861	166,329
% of Pop.	100.0%	28.3%	61.5%	10.2%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	876,135
Employed 2003	818,380
Unemployed 2003	57,755
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.6
Per Capita Income 2002	\$32,049
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	242,399

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	24,436	Total Pregnancies	30,522	Total Pregnancy Rate	76.6
Resident Deaths	12,338	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	3,221	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	62.3
% Births <2500 gms	8.6				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.6	White	5.2	Nonwhite	14.9
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	165,911	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	3,850	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	7,442
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

Capitol HSA IV

Number of Counties in Region: 11



■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	4,646
Primary Care Physicians	1,818
<i>Family Practice</i>	444
<i>General Practice</i>	28
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	678
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	242
<i>Pediatrics</i>	426
Other Specialties	2,828
Physicians per 10,000 Population	30.8
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	12.1
Federal Physicians**	105

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	825
Dental Hygienists	795

Nurses

Registered Nurses	16,283
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	541
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	33
Licensed Practical Nurses	2,599

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	232
Optometrists	169
Pharmacists	1,869
Physical Therapists	819
Physical Therapist Assistants	161
Physician Assistants	494
Podiatrists	38
Practicing Psychologists	689
Psychological Associates	171

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	1,079,747	283,759	690,621	105,367
Nonwhite	428,884	136,783	261,054	31,047
Total	1,508,631	420,542	951,675	136,414
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.9%	63.1%	9.0%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	812,098
Employed 2003	769,969
Unemployed 2003	42,129
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	5.2
Per Capita Income 2002	\$31,556
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	199,342

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	22,391	Total Pregnancies	28,421	Total Pregnancy Rate	71.1
Resident Deaths	9,573	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	2,712	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	53.1
% Births <2500 gms	8.4				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	6.8	White	5.1	Nonwhite	10.7
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	134,423	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	3,672	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	6,141
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.



■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	1,792
Primary Care Physicians	823
Family Practice	274
General Practice	25
Internal Medicine	285
Obstetrics/Gynecology	117
Pediatrics	122
Other Specialties	969
Physicians per 10,000 Population	14.5
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.6
Federal Physicians**	150

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	404
Dental Hygienists	525

Nurses

Registered Nurses	9,218
Nurse Practitioners	272
Certified Nurse Midwives	18
Licensed Practical Nurses	3,124

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	163
Optometrists	128
Pharmacists	840
Physical Therapists	402
Physical Therapist Assistants	257
Physician Assistants	420
Podiatrists	35
Practicing Psychologists	127
Psychological Associates	129

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	806,742	202,401	493,019	111,322
Nonwhite	431,816	146,810	248,844	36,162
Total	1,238,558	349,211	741,863	147,484
% of Pop.	100.0%	28.2%	59.9%	11.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	539,371
Employed 2003	500,476
Unemployed 2003	38,895
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	7.2
Per Capita Income 2002	\$24,417
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	267,357

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	17,700	Total Pregnancies	21,819	Total Pregnancy Rate	72.7
Resident Deaths	10,683	Teen Pregnancies	3,216	Teen Pregnancy Rate	76.8
% Births <2500 gms	9.9	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	9.5	White	6.4	Nonwhite	15.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	145,503	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	2,638	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	5,875
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** Includes NC Medical Board licensed federal physicians in the armed services, US Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

+Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

Eastern HSA VI

Number of Counties in Region: 29



■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	2,106
Primary Care Physicians	949
<i>Family Practice</i>	283
<i>General Practice</i>	34
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	335
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	132
<i>Pediatrics</i>	165
Other Specialties	1,157
Physicians per 10,000 Population	16.4
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.4
Federal Physicians**	92

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	409
Dental Hygienists	484

Nurses

Registered Nurses	10,608
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	310
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	35
Licensed Practical Nurses	2,829

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	117
Optometrists	127
Pharmacists	924
Physical Therapists	391
Physical Therapist Assistants	302
Physician Assistants	285
Podiatrists	34
Practicing Psychologists	123
Psychological Associates	163

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	831,196	208,212	505,047	117,937
Nonwhite	452,619	145,411	260,725	46,483
Total	1,283,815	353,623	765,772	164,420
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.5%	59.6%	12.8%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	598,476
Employed 2003	557,912
Unemployed 2003	40,564
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.8
Per Capita Income 2002	\$24,042
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	275,042

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	18,144	Total Pregnancies	21,987	Total Pregnancy Rate	70.7
Resident Deaths	12,335	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	3,447	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	75.4
% Births <2500 gms	10.0				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	9.5	White	6.3	Nonwhite	14.9
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	153,874	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	3,158	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	6,580
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+Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

DEHNR Region I

Number of Counties in Region: 19



■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	1,776
Primary Care Physicians	842
Family Practice	383
General Practice	21
Internal Medicine	233
Obstetrics/Gynecology	96
Pediatrics	109
Other Specialties	934
Physicians per 10,000 Population	19.9
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	9.4
Federal Physicians**	58

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	335
Dental Hygienists	465

Nurses

Registered Nurses	8,422
Nurse Practitioners	234
Certified Nurse Midwives	38
Licensed Practical Nurses	2,239

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	148
Optometrists	88
Pharmacists	686
Physical Therapists	425
Physical Therapist Assistants	251
Physician Assistants	232
Podiatrists	19
Practicing Psychologists	186
Psychological Associates	159

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	821,255	190,705	487,841	142,709
Nonwhite	70,079	24,091	39,601	6,387
Total	891,334	214,796	527,442	149,096
% of Pop.	100.0%	24.1%	59.2%	16.7%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	412,492
Employed 2003	387,382
Unemployed 2003	25,110
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.1
Per Capita Income 2002	\$24,793
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	156,002

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	9,893	Total Pregnancies	11,287	Total Pregnancy Rate	60.2
Resident Deaths	9,551	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	1,562	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	59.0
% Births <2500 gms	8.5				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	6.6	White	5.8	Nonwhite	14.7
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	100,899	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	2,366	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	6,732
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

DEHNR Region II

Number of Counties in Region: 11



■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	3,636
Primary Care Physicians	1,544
Family Practice	519
General Practice	23
Internal Medicine	522
Obstetrics/Gynecology	217
Pediatrics	263
Other Specialties	2,092
Physicians per 10,000 Population	19.0
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.1
Federal Physicians**	49

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	832
Dental Hygienists	1,021

Nurses

Registered Nurses	17,629
Nurse Practitioners	407
Certified Nurse Midwives	47
Licensed Practical Nurses	3,014

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	327
Optometrists	202
Pharmacists	1,568
Physical Therapists	690
Physical Therapist Assistants	456
Physician Assistants	446
Podiatrists	56
Practicing Psychologists	267
Psychological Associates	180

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	1,489,594	392,230	922,256	175,108
Nonwhite	425,119	146,706	251,343	27,070
Total	1,914,713	538,936	1,173,599	202,178
% of Pop.	100.0%	28.1%	61.3%	10.6%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	1,014,556
Employed 2003	944,100
Unemployed 2003	70,456
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.9
Per Capita Income 2002	\$31,036
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	292,225

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	28,118	Total Pregnancies	34,740	Total Pregnancy Rate	74.9
Resident Deaths	14,838	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	3,805	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	62.8
% Births <2500 gms	8.6				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.4	White	5.1	Nonwhite	14.8
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	198,151	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	4,657	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	8,928
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⁺⁺Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

DEHNR Region III



Number of Counties in Region: 15

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	3,134
Primary Care Physicians	1,289
Family Practice	444
General Practice	20
Internal Medicine	428
Obstetrics/Gynecology	156
Pediatrics	241
Other Specialties	1,845
Physicians per 10,000 Population	19.0
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.8
Federal Physicians**	19

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	657
Dental Hygienists	805

Nurses

Registered Nurses	14,174
Nurse Practitioners	358
Certified Nurse Midwives	25
Licensed Practical Nurses	3,141

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	173
Optometrists	171
Pharmacists	1,331
Physical Therapists	620
Physical Therapist Assistants	244
Physician Assistants	513
Podiatrists	52
Practicing Psychologists	234
Psychological Associates	125

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	1,304,967	328,131	792,637	184,199
Nonwhite	343,784	112,183	204,022	27,579
Total	1,648,751	440,314	996,659	211,778
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.7%	60.4%	12.8%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	852,795
Employed 2003	797,116
Unemployed 2003	55,679
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.5
Per Capita Income 2002	\$27,666
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	257,315

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	21,061	Total Pregnancies	25,758	Total Pregnancy Rate	65.1
Resident Deaths	14,800	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	3,234	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	59.4
% Births <2500 gms	8.7				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	9.1	White	7.1	Nonwhite	15.8
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	180,073	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	4,067	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	9,256
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

DEHNR Region IV

Number of Counties in Region: 16



■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	5,047
Primary Care Physicians	2,006
Family Practice	501
General Practice	34
Internal Medicine	750
Obstetrics/Gynecology	269
Pediatrics	452
Other Specialties	3,041
Physicians per 10,000 Population	27.9
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	11.1
Federal Physicians**	109

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	907
Dental Hygienists	874

Nurses

Registered Nurses	18,506
Nurse Practitioners	592
Certified Nurse Midwives	35
Licensed Practical Nurses	3,237

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	256
Optometrists	199
Pharmacists	2,060
Physical Therapists	902
Physical Therapist Assistants	259
Physician Assistants	550
Podiatrists	44
Practicing Psychologists	706
Psychological Associates	203

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	1,237,266	321,289	785,043	130,934
Nonwhite	571,895	182,271	343,790	45,834
Total	1,809,161	503,560	1,128,833	176,768
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.8%	62.4%	9.8%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	952,413
Employed 2003	897,507
Unemployed 2003	54,906
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	5.8
Per Capita Income 2002	\$30,197
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	278,538

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	26,380	Total Pregnancies	33,256	Total Pregnancy Rate	70.8
Resident Deaths	12,777	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	3,574	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	58.5
% Births <2500 gms	8.8				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.4	White	5.2	Nonwhite	12.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	175,522	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	4,543	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	7,806
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⁺⁺Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

DEHNR Region V

Number of Counties in Region: 11



2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	1,093
Primary Care Physicians	538
Family Practice	194
General Practice	19
Internal Medicine	165
Obstetrics/Gynecology	71
Pediatrics	89
Other Specialties	555
Physicians per 10,000 Population	12.3
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.1
Federal Physicians**	146

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	243
Dental Hygienists	332

Nurses

Registered Nurses	5,796
Nurse Practitioners	163
Certified Nurse Midwives	14
Licensed Practical Nurses	2,212

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	77
Optometrists	83
Pharmacists	530
Physical Therapists	225
Physical Therapist Assistants	185
Physician Assistants	289
Podiatrists	20
Practicing Psychologists	65
Psychological Associates	75

DEMOGRAPHICS

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	528,796	140,224	319,307	69,265
Nonwhite	357,223	122,971	205,927	28,325
Total	886,019	263,195	525,234	97,590
% of Pop.	100.0%	29.7%	59.3%	11.0%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	369,293
Employed 2003	340,828
Unemployed 2003	28,465
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	7.7
Per Capita Income 2002	\$23,779
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	200,571

HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	13,590	Total Pregnancies	16,594	Total Pregnancy Rate	75.9
Resident Deaths	7,513	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	2,513	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	82.2
% Births <2500 gms	9.9				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	10.7	White	7.4	Nonwhite	15.7
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	103,556	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	1,686	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	4,081
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

DEHNR Region VI

Number of Counties in Region: 21



■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	1,459
Primary Care Physicians	633
Family Practice	188
General Practice	18
Internal Medicine	229
Obstetrics/Gynecology	80
Pediatrics	118
Other Specialties	826
Physicians per 10,000 Population	20.3
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.8
Federal Physicians**	25

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	237
Dental Hygienists	253

Nurses

Registered Nurses	6,926
Nurse Practitioners	208
Certified Nurse Midwives	30
Licensed Practical Nurses	1,685

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	68
Optometrists	71
Pharmacists	590
Physical Therapists	240
Physical Therapist Assistants	173
Physician Assistants	181
Podiatrists	20
Practicing Psychologists	82
Psychological Associates	119

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	466,146	113,918	283,286	68,942
Nonwhite	253,982	80,615	145,941	27,426
Total	720,128	194,533	429,227	96,368
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.0%	59.6%	13.4%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	353,586
Employed 2003	331,970
Unemployed 2003	21,616
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.1
Per Capita Income 2002	\$23,933
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	154,643

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	9,662	Total Pregnancies	11,818	Total Pregnancy Rate	67.3
Resident Deaths	7,216	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	1,798	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	68.1
% Births <2500 gms	10.3				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	9.3	White	6.1	Nonwhite	14.1
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	85,903	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	1,976	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	3,880
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

DEHNR Region VII



Number of Counties in Region: 7

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	945
Primary Care Physicians	413
Family Practice	118
General Practice	16
Internal Medicine	154
Obstetrics/Gynecology	71
Pediatrics	54
Other Specialties	532
Physicians per 10,000 Population	15.3
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.7
Federal Physicians**	67

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	251
Dental Hygienists	345

Nurses

Registered Nurses	4,881
Nurse Practitioners	160
Certified Nurse Midwives	7
Licensed Practical Nurses	1,418

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	111
Optometrists	71
Pharmacists	453
Physical Therapists	245
Physical Therapist Assistants	103
Physician Assistants	179
Podiatrists	23
Practicing Psychologists	86
Psychological Associates	66

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	485,477	118,941	301,051	65,485
Nonwhite	130,219	43,147	74,965	12,107
Total	615,696	162,088	376,016	77,592
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.3%	61.1%	12.6%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	274,653
Employed 2003	258,052
Unemployed 2003	16,601
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.0
Per Capita Income 2002	\$25,567
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	107,989

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	8,603	Total Pregnancies	10,559	Total Pregnancy Rate	71.7
Resident Deaths	5,085	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	1,490	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	72.4
% Births <2500 gms	9.1				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.2	White	5.4	Nonwhite	13.2
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	68,819	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	1,263	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	2,829
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

Perinatal Care Region I

Number of Counties in Region: 16



■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	1,494
Primary Care Physicians	710
Family Practice	314
General Practice	14
Internal Medicine	207
Obstetrics/Gynecology	80
Pediatrics	95
Other Specialties	784
Physicians per 10,000 Population	21.3
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	10.1
Federal Physicians**	58

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	280
Dental Hygienists	404

Nurses

Registered Nurses	7,002
Nurse Practitioners	201
Certified Nurse Midwives	27
Licensed Practical Nurses	1,935

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	134
Optometrists	80
Pharmacists	558
Physical Therapists	374
Physical Therapist Assistants	196
Physician Assistants	201
Podiatrists	16
Practicing Psychologists	148
Psychological Associates	109

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	649,981	148,470	383,514	117,997
Nonwhite	52,574	17,403	30,127	5,044
Total	702,555	165,873	413,641	123,041
% of Pop.	100.0%	23.6%	58.9%	17.5%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	321,155
Employed 2003	303,787
Unemployed 2003	17,368
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	5.4
Per Capita Income 2002	\$24,909
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	122,708

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	7,742	Total Pregnancies	8,880	Total Pregnancy Rate	60.3
Resident Deaths	7,769	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	1,209	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	58.2
% Births <2500 gms	8.5				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	6.2	White	5.2	Nonwhite	16.3
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	78,012	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	1,862	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	5,638
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++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

Perinatal Care Region II

Number of Counties in Region: 20



■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	3,962
Primary Care Physicians	1,648
Family Practice	614
General Practice	30
Internal Medicine	515
Obstetrics/Gynecology	208
Pediatrics	281
Other Specialties	2,314
Physicians per 10,000 Population	18.6
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.7
Federal Physicians**	50

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	828
Dental Hygienists	1,015

Nurses

Registered Nurses	18,809
Nurse Practitioners	468
Certified Nurse Midwives	43
Licensed Practical Nurses	3,966

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	225
Optometrists	209
Pharmacists	1,720
Physical Therapists	767
Physical Therapist Assistants	400
Physician Assistants	621
Podiatrists	65
Practicing Psychologists	306
Psychological Associates	211

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	1,739,625	438,707	1,058,427	242,491
Nonwhite	390,126	131,341	228,394	30,391
Total	2,129,751	570,048	1,286,821	272,882
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.8%	60.4%	12.8%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	1,094,505
Employed 2003	1,018,274
Unemployed 2003	76,231
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	7.0
Per Capita Income 2002	\$27,186
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	336,086

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	27,110	Total Pregnancies	32,576	Total Pregnancy Rate	65.0
Resident Deaths	19,020	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	4,102	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	59.7
% Births <2500 gms	8.9				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	8.6	White	6.7	Nonwhite	16.1
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	237,432	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	5,510	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	11,821
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+Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

Perinatal Care Region III

Number of Counties in Region: 8



■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	2,918
Primary Care Physicians	1,243
Family Practice	388
General Practice	20
Internal Medicine	437
Obstetrics/Gynecology	174
Pediatrics	224
Other Specialties	1,675
Physicians per 10,000 Population	19.6
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.4
Federal Physicians**	18

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	660
Dental Hygienists	806

Nurses

Registered Nurses	13,674
Nurse Practitioners	306
Certified Nurse Midwives	35
Licensed Practical Nurses	2,320

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	273
Optometrists	154
Pharmacists	1,208
Physical Therapists	525
Physical Therapist Assistants	349
Physician Assistants	349
Podiatrists	43
Practicing Psychologists	223
Psychological Associates	142

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	1,114,069	294,118	694,168	125,783
Nonwhite	371,313	126,818	221,542	22,953
Total	1,485,382	420,936	915,710	148,736
% of Pop.	100.0%	28.3%	61.6%	10.0%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	790,370
Employed 2003	737,782
Unemployed 2003	52,588
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.7
Per Capita Income 2002	\$32,389
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	228,460

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	22,460	Total Pregnancies	28,154	Total Pregnancy Rate	77.0
Resident Deaths	11,164	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	2,982	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	63.2
% Births <2500 gms	8.5				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.3	White	5.0	Nonwhite	13.7
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	151,958	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	3,588	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	6,609
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⁺⁺Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

Perinatal Care Region IV



Number of Counties in Region: 13

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	4,837
Primary Care Physicians	1,903
Family Practice	478
General Practice	29
Internal Medicine	706
Obstetrics/Gynecology	249
Pediatrics	441
Other Specialties	2,934
Physicians per 10,000 Population	28.9
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	11.4
Federal Physicians**	105

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	885
Dental Hygienists	864

Nurses

Registered Nurses	17,146
Nurse Practitioners	567
Certified Nurse Midwives	38
Licensed Practical Nurses	2,841

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	249
Optometrists	188
Pharmacists	1,978
Physical Therapists	889
Physical Therapist Assistants	172
Physician Assistants	520
Podiatrists	41
Practicing Psychologists	699
Psychological Associates	177

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	1,204,556	316,365	764,741	123,450
Nonwhite	466,856	148,281	283,616	34,959
Total	1,671,412	464,646	1,048,357	158,409
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.8%	62.7%	9.5%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	896,800
Employed 2003	848,413
Unemployed 2003	48,387
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	5.4
Per Capita Income 2002	\$30,985
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	224,408

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	24,472	Total Pregnancies	30,978	Total Pregnancy Rate	70.7
Resident Deaths	11,116	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	3,083	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	54.4
% Births <2500 gms	8.3				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.0	White	5.3	Nonwhite	11.2
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	150,326	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	3,854	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	7,150
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*Numbers reported include those who are active within the profession and those with unknown activity status who were newly licensed in 2002; inactive are excluded.

** Includes NC Medical Board licensed federal physicians in the armed services, US Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

+Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

Perinatal Care Region V

Number of Counties in Region: 14



■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	1,773
Primary Care Physicians	812
Family Practice	270
General Practice	24
Internal Medicine	281
Obstetrics/Gynecology	117
Pediatrics	120
Other Specialties	961
Physicians per 10,000 Population	14.6
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.7
Federal Physicians**	150

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	400
Dental Hygienists	522

Nurses

Registered Nurses	9,095
Nurse Practitioners	270
Certified Nurse Midwives	18
Licensed Practical Nurses	3,055

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	162
Optometrists	127
Pharmacists	830
Physical Therapists	401
Physical Therapist Assistants	252
Physician Assistants	414
Podiatrists	35
Practicing Psychologists	127
Psychological Associates	125

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	794,074	199,566	485,524	108,984
Nonwhite	418,813	142,730	241,185	34,898
Total	1,212,887	342,296	726,709	143,882
% of Pop.	100.0%	28.2%	59.9%	11.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	528,482
Employed 2003	490,787
Unemployed 2003	37,695
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	7.1
Per Capita Income 2002	\$24,468
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	260,579

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	17,379	Total Pregnancies	21,437	Total Pregnancy Rate	72.8
Resident Deaths	10,376	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	3,153	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	76.8
% Births <2500 gms	9.9				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	9.6	White	6.4	Nonwhite	15.2
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	141,321	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	2,586	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	5,714
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*Numbers reported include those who are active within the profession and those with unknown activity status who were newly licensed in 2002; inactive are excluded.

** Includes NC Medical Board licensed federal physicians in the armed services, US Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

+Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

Perinatal Care Region VI



Number of Counties in Region: 29

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	2,106
Primary Care Physicians	949
Family Practice	283
General Practice	34
Internal Medicine	335
Obstetrics/Gynecology	132
Pediatrics	165
Other Specialties	1,157
Physicians per 10,000 Population	16.4
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.4
Federal Physicians**	92

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	409
Dental Hygienists	484

Nurses

Registered Nurses	10,608
Nurse Practitioners	310
Certified Nurse Midwives	35
Licensed Practical Nurses	2,829

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	117
Optometrists	127
Pharmacists	924
Physical Therapists	391
Physical Therapist Assistants	302
Physician Assistants	285
Podiatrists	34
Practicing Psychologists	123
Psychological Associates	163

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	831,196	208,212	505,047	117,937
Nonwhite	452,619	145,411	260,725	46,483
Total	1,283,815	353,623	765,772	164,420
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.5%	59.6%	12.8%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	598,476
Employed 2003	557,912
Unemployed 2003	40,564
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.8
Per Capita Income 2002	\$24,042
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	275,042

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	18,144	Total Pregnancies	21,987	Total Pregnancy Rate	70.7
Resident Deaths	12,335	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	3,447	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	75.4
% Births <2500 gms	10.0				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	9.5	White	6.3	Nonwhite	14.9
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	153,874	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	3,158	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	6,580
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*Numbers reported include those who are active within the profession and those with unknown activity status who were newly licensed in 2002; inactive are excluded.

** Includes NC Medical Board licensed federal physicians in the armed services, US Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

+Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

Appendix I: Technical Notes on Methods

This report is based on registration data obtained on selected licensed health professional categories within North Carolina between January 1, 2003 and October 31, 2003.

Data on the licensed health professionals profiled in this report were collected from both initial and renewal licensure forms by their respective licensing boards. All boards supplied computerized copies of their files containing all necessary data to the Cecil G. Sheps Center for Health Services Research. All data files were run through a series of editing programs and procedures to check for inconsistencies.

Data were updated on a regular basis at each board with new licensees as well as changes in address. Physician data were checked and corrected for residency status using data supplied by hospitals with postgraduate medical education programs. Physician specialty data obtained from the 2002 *North Carolina Medical Society Roster* were used to check primary specialty codes. Physicians are the only profession assigned to county location based on zip code information. Physician data in this 2003 edition reflect a correction to a file used to assign zip codes to counties, which in previous years incorrectly assigned physicians who were practicing in Hickory (Burke County) to Catawba County. File years affected by this error are 1997, 1998 and 1999.

Appendix II: Definition of Terms

Health Professions Related

- 1) Active Licensed individuals who are currently practicing in their respective field.
- 2) Inactive Licensed individuals who are retired, employed in another field or otherwise not practicing in their respective field.
- 3) Unknown Activity Status Licensed individuals for whom practice status is not reported. Experience has shown that these usually are persons just entering their field. They are therefore considered active.
- 4) In-State Licensed individuals who practice in North Carolina if they are active or who reside in North Carolina if they are inactive. If business county is missing for active individuals, mailing county is used.
- 5) Out-of-State Licensed individuals who practice outside of North Carolina if they are active or who reside outside of North Carolina if they are inactive. If business county is missing for active individuals, mailing county is used.
- 6) Physicians Doctors of medicine and doctors of osteopathy licensed with the N.C. Medical Board.
- 7) Federal physician Physician whose primary employer is the federal government and whose principal setting of primary practice is a health facility on a military installation, in a V.A. hospital, in the Public Health Service, in the Indian Health Service, or in another federal health facility. Federally-funded primary health care clinics serving the private sector are not considered a federal facility. Federal physicians are not required to be licensed by the N.C. Medical Board. Counts include only those federal physicians who hold active licenses from the North Carolina Medical Board.
- 8) Resident physician²² A physician who is presently enrolled in a postgraduate medical education training program at Duke University Medical Center, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill-UNC Hospitals, East Carolina University-Pitt County Memorial Hospital, Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center, Greensboro AHEC-Moses Cone Hospital, Charlotte AHEC-Carolinas Medical Center, Coastal AHEC-New Hanover Regional Medical Center, Mountain AHEC in Asheville, Southern Regional AHEC in Fayetteville, and Cabarrus Memorial Hospital.

²² Definition of the North Carolina Medical Board.

*Demographics*²³

- 102 BIRTHS: Resident live births. Live births occurring to residents of the area during the calendar year. Data downloaded from the State Center for Health Statistics starting in 1998; see <http://www.schs.state.nc.us/SCHS/healthstats/databook/Mortality.xls>. Data contained in 1998 Data Book obtained from the Office of State Planning population estimates; see <http://www.ospl.state.nc.us/demog>. Data through 1997 downloaded from the LINC Data System; see <http://www.linc.state.nc.us/>. Source: Department of Health and Human Services, North Carolina Public Health, State Center for Health Statistics.
- 103 DEATHS: Resident deaths. Deaths occurring to residents of the area during the calendar year. Data downloaded from the State Center for Health Statistics starting in 1998; see <http://www.schs.state.nc.us/SCHS/healthstats/databook/Mortality.xls>. Data contained in 1998 Data Book obtained from the Office of State Planning population estimates; see <http://www.ospl.state.nc.us/demog>. Data through 1997 downloaded from the LINC Data System; see <http://www.linc.state.nc.us>. Source: Department of Health and Human Services, North Carolina Public Health, State Center for Health Statistics.
- 104 LABORFORCE: Labor Force by Place of Residence. Estimates represent the sum of the average annual employed (variable 105) and unemployed (variable 106) persons by place of residence. "Place of residence" estimates were developed with data secured from establishments (i.e., place of work employment) and adjusted to remove the effects of commuting and multiple jobholding. The data through 1983 are based on the 1970 census commuting patterns through a residency adjustment. Beginning in 1984, the adjustments are based on the 1980 census commuting patterns. This variable is an annual average of monthly data for the calendar year. County level data are revised both one and two years after the reference year ends. The data are presented in unrounded form from 1986 forward to permit aggregation of county data (e.g., to the MSA or regional level), while the data for earlier years are rounded to the nearest ten, as they are in publications from the Labor Market Information Division. State level data are rounded to the nearest 100, both on LINC and in publications, and are periodically revised independent of the county revisions so that they differ significantly from the sum of counties. See also variable 201, MONTHLYLF, the monthly equivalent. 1990 to 1994 have been adjusted to the 1990 census. 1994 data are not strictly comparable to previous data due to a major revision in the Current Population Survey. For more information, call the Employment Security Commission at (919) 733-2936. Data for all years except 1999 downloaded from the LINC Data System; see <http://www.linc.state.nc.us>. Data for 1999 downloaded from: <http://www.esc.state.nc.us>. Source: Department of Commerce.
- 105 EMPLOYED: Employment by Place of Residence. All persons who worked for pay or profit, or worked without pay for 15 hours or more per week in a family farm or business. Includes agricultural employment, nonagricultural wage and salary employment, unpaid family workers, and domestic workers in private households. "Place of residence" estimates were developed with data secured from establishments (i.e., place of work employment) and adjusted to remove the effects of commuting and multiple jobholding. This variable is an annual average of monthly data for the calendar year. County level data are revised both one and two years after the reference year ends. The data are presented in unrounded form from 1986 forward to permit aggregation of county data (e.g., to the MSA or regional level), while the data for earlier years are rounded to the nearest ten, as they are in publications from the Labor Market Information Division. State level data are rounded to the nearest 100, both on LINC and in publications, and are periodically revised independent of the county revisions so that they differ significantly from the sum of counties. 1990 to 1994 have been adjusted to the 1990 census. 1994 data are not strictly comparable to previous data due to a major redesign to the Current Population Survey. For more information, call the Employment Security Commission at (919) 733-2936. Data for all years

²³ Variable numbers, names and definitions are from the Log Into North Carolina (LINC) Database, Office of State Planning, N.C. Office of the Governor.

except 1999 downloaded from the LINC Data System; see <http://www.linc.state.nc.us>. Source: Department of Commerce. Data for 1999 downloaded from: <http://www.esc.state.nc.us>.

- 106 UNEMPLOYED: Unemployment by Place of Residence. This variable is an annual average of monthly data for the calendar year and is the estimated number of residents who did not work at all during the month but were able, available and looking for work. Includes all jobless persons looking for work, regardless of whether or not they qualify for unemployment insurance benefits. County level data are revised both one and two years after the reference year ends. The data are presented in unrounded form from 1986 forward to permit aggregation of county data (e.g., to the MSA or regional level), while the data for earlier years are rounded to the nearest ten, as they are in publications from the Labor Market Information Division. State level data are rounded to the nearest 100, both on LINC and in publications, and are periodically revised independent of the county revisions so that they differ significantly from the sum of counties. 1990 to 1994 have been adjusted to the 1990 census. 1994 data are not strictly comparable to previous data due to a major redesign to the Current Population Survey. For more information, call the Employment Security Commission at (919) 733-2936. Data for all years except 1999 downloaded from the LINC Data System; see <http://www.linc.state.nc.us>. Source: Department of Commerce. Data for 1999 downloaded from: <http://www.esc.state.nc.us>.
- 107 UNEMPLRATE: Unemployment Rate by Place of Residence. The average annual number of unemployed (variable 106) as a percentage of the average annual civilian labor force (variable 104). County level data are revised both one and two years after the reference year ends. State level may be revised at other times as well. Prior to 1986, the rate is based on unemployment and labor force figures which have been rounded to the nearest 10 (nearest 100 for the state), as is the case in publications from the Labor Market Information Division. The purpose of this rounding is to emphasize the fact that the numbers are estimates. Beginning with 1986, the numbers are unrounded, to permit aggregation to the MSA or regional level; the unemployment rate is based on these unrounded numbers, and hence may differ slightly in some cases from the published rates. This variable is derived from variables 104 and 106 by the formula $100 * V106 / V104$. 1990 to 1994 have been adjusted to the 1990 census. 1994 data are not strictly comparable to previous data due to a major redesign to the Current Population Survey. For more information, call the Employment Security Commission at (919) 733-2936. Data for all years except 1999 downloaded from the LINC Data System; see <http://www.linc.state.nc.us>. Source: Department of Commerce. Data for 1999 downloaded from: <http://www.esc.state.nc.us>.
- 136 INFANTDEATHS: Infant deaths. An infant death is defined as death of a live born infant under one year of age. The infant death rate is defined as resident infant deaths per 1,000 resident live births for the calendar year, which can be computed as variable 136 divided by variable 102, multiplied by 1,000. Source: Department of Health and Human Services, North Carolina Public Health, State Center for Health Statistics.
- 501 PREGNANCIES: Pregnancies for females, all ages. The total number of the following events during the calendar year to resident women of all ages: live births, fetal deaths of 20 or more weeks gestation and induced abortions. Stillbirths of less than 20 weeks gestation are not included in this count. These figures are generated by adding data from birth certificates, fetal death certificates, and induced abortion reports from abortion providers. The sum of the counties does not always equal data for the state since the state includes persons whose county of residence is unknown. Source: Department of Health and Human Services, North Carolina Public Health, State Center for Health Statistics.
- NA PREGNANCY RATE: Pregnancy rates are created by dividing pregnancies by female population ages 15-44 and multiplying by 1,000. This yields pregnancy rate per 1,000 women of childbearing age. Source: Department of Health and Human Services, North Carolina Public Health, State Center for Health Statistics.
- 502 PREGTEEN: Pregnancies for females 15-19. The total number of the following events during the calendar year to resident women ages 15-19: live births, fetal deaths of 20 or more weeks

gestation and induced abortions. Stillbirths of less than 20 weeks gestation are not included in this count. These figures are generated by adding data from birth certificates, fetal death certificates, and induced abortion reports from abortion providers. The sum of the counties does not always equal data for the state since the state includes persons whose county of residence is unknown. Source: Department of Health and Human Services, North Carolina Public Health, State Center for Health Statistics.

- NA TEEN PREGNANCY RATES (15-19): Pregnancy rates are created by dividing the number of teen pregnancies by female population ages 15-19 and multiplying by 1,000. This yields pregnancy rate per 1,000 women of this age group. Source: Department of Health and Human Services, North Carolina Public Health, State Center for Health Statistics.
- 512 HOSPDISCH: General Hospital Discharges. Discharges of residents of the county in all short stay, acute care general hospitals in the state during the federal fiscal year. Excluded are federal and state hospitals, with the exception of one state facility which is included, UNC Hospitals in Orange County. Normal ("well") newborn babies are excluded. Counties which border other states reflect under-reporting of discharges since only discharges to residents of the county from hospitals in North Carolina are counted. Counties affected are mainly Alleghany, Camden, Caswell, Cherokee, Clay, Columbus, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Hertford, Pasquotank, and Perquimans. See HOSPBEDGEN for beds included in short-stay, acute care, and general hospitals. Source: Department of Insurance. Compiled by the Cecil G. Sheps Center for Health Services Research for 1999 and up to 1994. In 1997 and 1998, Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Facility Services. Starting in 1999, data downloaded from LINC Data System; see <http://www.linc.state.nc.us>.
- 513 LONGTERMCARE: Nursing facility beds. This count includes beds licensed as nursing facility beds, meaning those offering a level of care less than that offered in an acute care hospital, but providing licensed nursing coverage 24 hours a day, seven days a week. In addition to these beds, licensed long-term nursing care (extended nursing care) beds in non-federal, non-state general hospitals are included. Data for each county represent the sum of the beds in the facilities located in that county. Data for the state reflect the sum of licensed beds in the counties. Long-term nursing care beds in both nursing facilities and hospitals are licensed annually for the calendar year. Source: State Medical Facilities Plan, Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Facility Services; see <http://facility-services.state.nc.us/plan2003/discplan.htm>.
- 523 BIRTHLOWWT: Low-weight births under 2500 grams. Newborns weighing less than 2500 grams (5 pounds, 8 ounces) at birth, regardless of length of gestation, as reported on the birth certificate for the calendar year, to mothers who are residents. Low-weight births are at increased risk of infant death and illness. The term premature is used in a number of publications. Source: Department of Health and Human Services, North Carolina Public Health, State Center for Health Statistics.
- 524 HOSPBEDGEN: Beds in general hospitals. Defined as "beds in use" in hospitals, which are designated for short-stay use as licensed at the end of the third calendar quarter of the year. Included are beds for general medical or surgical use, beds that are for general psychiatric disorders, rehabilitation beds, eye-ear-nose-and-throat beds and pulmonary disease beds. Excluded are beds in all federal hospitals and state hospitals. An exception is the inclusion of beds in one state facility, UNC Hospitals in Orange County. Data for each county represent the sum of the beds in the general hospitals located in that county. Data for the state reflect the sum of beds in the counties. Source: State Medical Facilities Plan, Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Facility Services; see <http://facility-services.state.nc.us/plan2002/discplan.htm>.

- 710 **MEDICAID:** Unduplicated count of Medicaid eligibles. An eligible is defined as a person who receives a Medicaid ID card authorizing Medicaid coverage for any portion of the state fiscal year. Eligibles are unduplicated with respect to the state for the fiscal year. An eligible is counted only in the last county of residence. Data downloaded from the Division of Medical Assistance; see <http://www.dhhs.state.nc.us/dma>. Source: Division of Medical Assistance, Department of Health and Human Services.
- 3001 **PERSINC:** Total personal income by place of residence (000s). The income received by, or on behalf of, all the residents of the area. Includes income received by persons from all sources - from participation in production, from transfer payments, from government and business, and from government interest (which is treated like a transfer payment). Personal income is the sum of wage and salary disbursements, other labor income, proprietors' income with inventory valuation and capital consumption adjustments, rental income of persons with capital consumption adjustment, personal dividend income, personal interest income, and transfer payments, less personal contributions for social insurance. For counting income, persons are defined as individuals, nonprofit institutions, private non-insured welfare funds, and private trust funds. The last three are referred to as "quasi-individuals." Proprietors' income is treated in its entirety as received by individuals. Life insurance carriers and private non-insured pension funds are not counted as persons, but their saving is credited to persons. Personal income is entirely different from money income, which is the measure of income used by Census and CPS. Source: Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis. Data for 1999 and 2003 editions downloaded from Bureau of Economic Analysis at <http://www.bea.doc.gov/bea/regional/reis/>. Data for the 1996 through 1998 editions downloaded http://www.bea.doc.gov/remd2/svy_nc.htm. Data for all other years downloaded from the LINC Data System; see <http://www.linc.state.nc.us>.
- 3004 **BEAPOP:** Population estimate by place of residence (BEA denominator). BEA uses the Bureau of the Census county population totals as of July 1. Population is measured at midyear, whereas income is measured as a flow over the year. The state population figure used by BEA will agree with the Bureau of the Census' county estimates but may not be the most current state level figure released by the Census Bureau. These population figures should be used only with BEA income figures to calculate per capita estimates. Source: Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis. Data for 1999 and 2003 editions downloaded from Bureau of Economic Analysis at <http://www.bea.doc.gov/bea/regional/reis/>. Data for the 1996 through 1998 editions downloaded http://www.bea.doc.gov/remd2/svy_nc.htm. Data for all other years downloaded from the LINC Data System; see <http://www.linc.state.nc.us>.
- 3005 **PERCAPINC:** Per capita income by place of residence. The total personal income of residents of an area divided by the resident population of the area. See BEAPOP and PERSINC. Per capita personal income serves as an indicator of the quality of consumer markets and of the economic well-being of the residents of an area. It should be used with caution for several reasons: (1) An unusually high or low per capita income may be the temporary result of unusual conditions such as a bumper crop, a major construction project, or a catastrophe. In some cases, a high per capita income is not representative of the standard of living in an area. Conversely a county with a large institutional population may show an unusually low per capita income. (2) Population is measured at mid-year and income is measured as a flow over the year, so a significant change in population during the year could cause a distortion in the per capita figures. (3) Farm proprietors' income reflects return from current production; it does not measure current cash flows. Sales out of inventories, though included in current gross farm income, are excluded from net farm income because they represent income from a previous year's production. Additions to inventories are included in net farm income at current market prices. (4) In counties that are characterized by small population and almost total dependence upon farming, the per capita income will react more sharply to the vagaries in weather, world market demand, and changing government policies related to agriculture than in counties where the sources of income are more diversified. (5) Substantial differences between BEA estimates of per capita income and Census Bureau estimates are due to differences in definition of income, collection mode, and method of

computation. The BEA data are derived primarily from administrative records, while the census data are self reports of individuals. This variable is derived from variables 3001 and 3004 as $1000 * V3001 / V3004$. Data for 1999 and 2003 editions downloaded from Bureau of Economic Analysis at <http://www.bea.doc.gov/bea/regional/reis/> Data for the 1996 through 1998 editions downloaded http://www.bea.doc.gov/remd2/svy_nc.htm. Data for all other years downloaded from the LINC Data System; see <http://www.linc.state.nc.us>. Source: Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis.

5001 POPULATION (Census/Estimate/Projection). Depending on the year, this is the corrected census count (April 1, 1970, 1980, or 1990, or the estimate or projection from the State Demographer (April 1, 2000, 2010, July 1, other years). All years subsequent are projected. A projection differs from an estimate in that it relies on certain assumptions about long-term trends in data, which are not yet available, while an estimate is always based on data from predictor variables, which are available for the estimate year. See variables 401-424 for age/race/sex breakdown of the same data for counties (available through the "Population by age/race/sex" topic report option on the main menu). The sum of variables 401-424 for 1990 will not equal variable 5001 for the counties of Buncombe, Cleveland, Durham, Mecklenburg, Pitt and Robeson because the corrections were released after the 1990 data were adjusted. Several municipalities, counties, and the state had corrections to the 1990 population from the Census Bureau. Data for 1997 through 2000 and the 2003 editions downloaded from the Office of State Planning at <http://www.ospl.state.nc.us/demog>. Data for all other years downloaded from the LINC Data System; see <http://www.linc.state.nc.us>. Source: Office of the Governor, Office of State Planning.

5015 MSA93: Metropolitan Statistical Area (1993 definition). A 2 digit number representing the metropolitan statistical area (MSA) to which a given geographic area belongs. MSAs are multi-county regions determined by the federal government based on population and commuting data from the census. MSA93 represents the 1993 revision, based on the 1990 Census. Since only North Carolina data are available in LINC, any MSA which includes counties outside N.C. is not completely covered in LINC, but instead, the N.C. counties in that MSA are used, and 'N.C. only' is placed on the end of the MSA name to denote this fact. The non-metropolitan counties (not in any MSA) are grouped together as though they were an additional MSA, Non-metropolitan Counties. Source: Office of the Governor, Office of State Planning. The counties in each of the 1993 MSAs are as follows.

01 ASHEVILLE MSA: Buncombe, Madison

02 CHARLOTTE-GASTONIA MSA (N.C. ONLY): Cabarrus, Gaston, Lincoln, Mecklenburg, Rowan, Union

03 FAYETTEVILLE MSA: Cumberland

04 GOLDSBORO MSA: Wayne

05 GREENSBORO-WINSTON-SALEM-HIGH POINT MSA: Alamance, Davidson, Davie, Forsyth, Guilford, Randolph, Stokes, Yadkin

06 GREENVILLE MSA: Pitt

07 HICKORY-MORGANTON MSA: Alexander, Burke, Caldwell, Catawba

08 JACKSONVILLE MSA: Onslow

09 NORFOLK-VIRGINIA BEACH-NEWPORT NEWS MSA (N.C. ONLY): Currituck

10 RALEIGH-DURHAM-CHAPEL HILL MSA: Chatham, Durham, Franklin, Johnston, Orange, Wake

11 ROCKY MOUNT MSA: Edgecombe, Nash

12 WILMINGTON MSA: Brunswick, New Hanover

Location

- 1) **MSA:** *Counties are assigned to MSAs (Metropolitan Statistical Areas) based on the federal Office of Management and Budget's designations as reported in OMB Bulletin No. 93-05 and updated in September 1993.*

Metropolitan	Alamance	Alexander	Brunswick	Buncombe
	Burke	Cabarrus	Caldwell	Catawba
	Chatham	Cumberland	Currituck	Davidson
	Davie	Durham	Edgecombe	Forsyth
	Franklin	Gaston	Guilford	Johnston
	Lincoln	Madison	Mecklenburg	Nash
	New Hanover	Onslow	Orange	Pitt
	Randolph	Rowan	Stokes	Union
	Wake	Wayne	Yadkin	
Nonmetropolitan	Alleghany	Anson	Ashe	Avery
	Beaufort	Bertie	Bladen	Camden
	Carteret	Caswell	Cherokee	Chowan
	Clay	Cleveland	Columbus	Craven
	Dare	Duplin	Gates	Graham
	Granville	Greene	Halifax	Harnett
	Haywood	Henderson	Hertford	Hoke
	Hyde	Iredell	Jackson	Jones
	Lee	Lenoir	McDowell	Macon
	Martin	Mitchell	Montgomery	Moore
	Northampton	Pamlico	Pasquotank	Pender
	Perquimans	Person	Polk	Richmond
	Robeson	Rockingham	Rutherford	Sampson
	Scotland	Stanly	Surry	Swain
	Transylvania	Tyrrell	Vance	Warren
	Washington	Watauga	Wilkes	Wilson
	Yancey			

- 2) **HSA:** *Counties are assigned to a Health Service Area (HSA) in the following manner:*

HSA I	Alexander	Alleghany	Ashe	Avery
Western	Buncombe	Burke	Caldwell	Catawba
	Cherokee	Clay	Cleveland	Graham
	Haywood	Henderson	Jackson	McDowell
	Macon	Madison	Mitchell	Polk
	Rutherford	Swain	Transylvania	Watauga
	Wilkes	Yancey		
HSA II	Alamance	Caswell	Davidson	Davie
Piedmont	Forsyth	Guilford	Randolph	Rockingham
	Stokes	Surry	Yadkin	
HSA III	Cabarrus	Gaston	Iredell	Lincoln
So. Piedmont	Mecklenburg	Rowan	Stanly	Union
HSA IV	Chatham	Durham	Franklin	Granville
Capitol	Johnston	Lee	Orange	Person
	Vance	Wake	Warren	

HSA V	Anson	Bladen	Brunswick	Columbus
Cardinal	Cumberland	Harnett	Hoke	Montgomery
	Moore	New Hanover	Pender	Richmond
	Robeson	Sampson	Scotland	
HSA VI.....	Beaufort	Bertie	Camden	Carteret
Eastern	Chowan	Craven	Currituck	Dare
	Duplin	Edgecombe	Gates	Greene
	Halifax	Hertford	Hyde	Jones
	Lenoir	Martin	Nash	Northampton
	Onslow	Pamlico	Pasquotank	Perquimans
	Pitt	Tyrrell	Washington	Wayne
	Wilson			

3) AHEC *Counties are assigned to an Area Health Education Center (AHEC) region in the following manner:*

Greensboro (1)	Alamance	Caswell	Chatham	Guilford
	Montgomery	Orange	Randolph	Rockingham
Mountain (2).....	Buncombe	Cherokee	Clay	Graham
	Haywood	Henderson	Jackson	McDowell
	Macon	Madison	Mitchell	Polk
	Rutherford	Swain	Transylvania	Yancey
Charlotte (3)	Anson	Cabarrus	Cleveland	Gaston
	Lincoln	Mecklenburg	Stanly	Union
Coastal (4).....	Brunswick	Columbus	Duplin	New Hanover
	Pender			
Area L (5)	Edgecombe	Halifax	Nash	Northampton
	Wilson			
Wake (6).....	Durham	Franklin	Granville	Johnston
	Lee	Person	Vance	Wake
	Warren			
Eastern (7).....	Beaufort	Bertie	Camden	Carteret
	Chowan	Craven	Currituck	Dare
	Gates	Greene	Hertford	Hyde
	Jones	Lenoir	Martin	Onslow
	Pamlico	Pasquotank	Perquimans	Pitt
	Tyrrell	Washington	Wayne	
Northwest (9)	Alexander	Alleghany	Ashe	Avery
	Burke	Caldwell	Catawba	Davidson
	Davie	Forsyth	Iredell	Rowan
	Stokes	Surry	Watauga	Wilkes
	Yadkin			
Southern.....	Bladen	Cumberland	Harnett	Hoke
Regional (10)	Moore	Richmond	Robeson	Sampson
	Scotland			

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4) DEHNR *Counties are assigned to Department of Environment, Health and Natural Resources (DEHNR) regions in the following manner:*

Region I.....	Avery Cherokee Henderson Mitchell Swain	Buncombe Clay Jackson McDowell Transylvania	Burke Graham Macon Polk Yancey	Caldwell Haywood Madison Rutherford
Region II.....	Alexander Gaston Rowan	Cabarrus Iredell Stanly	Catawba Lincoln Union	Cleveland Mecklenburg
Region III	Alamance Davie Randolph Watauga	Alleghany Davidson Rockingham Wilkes	Ashe Forsyth Stokes Yadkin	Caswell Guilford Surry
Region IV	Chatham Granville Nash Vance	Durham Halifax Northampton Wake	Edgecombe Johnston Orange Warren	Franklin Lee Person Wilson
Region V	Anson Harnett Robeson	Bladen Montgomery Sampson	Cumberland Moore Scotland	Hoke Richmond
Region VI.....	Beaufort Craven Greene Lenoir Perquimans Wayne	Bertie Currituck Hertford Martin Pitt	Camden Dare Hyde Pamlico Tyrrell	Chowan Gates Jones Pasquotank Washington
Region VII.....	Brunswick New Hanover	Carteret Onslow	Columbus Pender	Duplin

5) PCR: *Counties are assigned to Perinatal Care Regions (PCR) in the following manner:*

Western.....	Buncombe	Cherokee	Clay	Graham
Region I	Haywood	Henderson	Jackson	McDowell
	Macon	Madison	Mitchell	Polk
	Rutherford	Swain	Transylvania	Yancey
Northwestern.....	Alexander	Alleghany	Ashe	Avery
Region II	Burke	Caldwell	Catawba	Davidson
	Davie	Forsyth	Guilford	Iredell
	Rowan	Randolph	Rockingham	Stokes
	Surry	Watauga	Wilkes	Yadkin
Southwestern	Anson	Cabarrus	Cleveland	Gaston
Region III	Lincoln	Mecklenburg	Stanly	Union
Northeastern	Alamance	Caswell	Chatham	Durham
Region IV	Franklin	Granville	Johnston	Lee
	Orange	Person	Vance	Wake
	Warren			

Southeastern..... Region V	Bladen	Brunswick	Columbus	Cumberland
	Harnett	Hoke	Montgomery	Moore
	New Hanover	Pender	Richmond	Robeson
	Sampson	Scotland		
Eastern Region VI	Beaufort	Bertie	Camden	Carteret
	Chowan	Craven	Currituck	Dare
	Duplin	Edgecombe	Gates	Greene
	Halifax	Hertford	Hyde	Jones
	Lenoir	Martin	Nash	Northampton
	Onslow	Pamlico	Pasquotank	Perquimans
	Pitt	Tyrrell	Washington	Wayne
	Wilson			

Appendix III: Procedures for Requesting Additional Information

Procedures for Requesting Additional Information

This appendix describes the health professions information available through the North Carolina Health Professions Data System at the Cecil G. Sheps Center for Health Services Research and the necessary procedures for obtaining data.

The Sheps Center maintains health professions data files through a cooperative effort with each licensing board for the following categories of health professionals licensed in North Carolina:

- Certified Nurse Midwives
- Chiropractors
- Dental Hygienists
- Dentists
- Nurses (RNs and LPNs)
- Nurse Practitioners
- Optometrists
- Pharmacists
- Physical Therapists
- Physical Therapist Assistants
- Physicians, includes MDs and DOs licensed by the North Carolina Medical Board
- Physicians in Residency Training
- Physician Assistants
- Podiatrists
- Practicing Psychologists
- Psychological Associates

Although the Sheps Center does have files for each year since 1975²⁴, the data prior to 1979 are relatively inaccurate, and therefore their use is discouraged.

Health professionals provide the data to the respective licensing boards at the time of initial license or renewal. The data are tabulated by the Sheps Center, but at all times remain the property of the boards. The data are confidential because they include detailed information on the individuals licensed. Therefore, any requests for names, addresses, or other information that would lead to identification of any individuals cannot be honored without the prior written approval of the appropriate licensing board.

Data are provided in several formats: mailing lists in hard copy and electronic format, cross-tabulations, frequencies and graphic representations. A two-week interval is normally required to process

²⁴ Certified nurse midwife data are available starting from 1985.

data requests, with a minimum charge dependent upon the type of output. Please visit the Health Professions Data System web site at <<http://www.shepscenter.unc.edu/hp>> for more information.

When board approval is necessary, the following steps should be taken:

1. Contact the Sheps Center's N.C. Health Professions Data System Coordinator by phone (919) 966-7112, email address: nchp@unc.edu or letter to discuss the details of your request. Direct verbal or written approval from the executive officer of the appropriate board is required before any data can be released by the Sheps Center.
2. A letter should be sent to the executive officer of the appropriate board (see list on following pages) explaining the need for the data in question, and the preferred format of the data. If the data are for an announcement or a survey, a copy of the brochure or questionnaire to be sent is usually helpful. The letter should request that approval be granted to the Sheps Center to provide the data. Sending a copy of the letter to the Sheps Center Coordinator is helpful.

Board approval is normally not required if the data requested do not identify individuals. For requests of this type only a letter or telephone call to the Coordinator is required. A phone call is helpful to ensure that your request is clear.

If data are required immediately, the request should indicate the urgency. An urgent request will be processed as soon as it can be scheduled into the workload, and an additional charge will be assessed. However, no assurance can be given as to delivery date earlier than two weeks after the request has been received. Whenever possible, a two-week interval should be anticipated for the processing of routine requests; a longer period will be required if extensive programming is needed.

Addresses of Health Professions Licensing Boards

State of N.C. Board of Chiropractic Examiners
174 Church Street North
Concord, NC 28025
Ms. Carol Hall, Executive Secretary
(704) 793-1342
FAX: (704) 793-1385
www.ncchiroboard.org

N.C. Midwifery Joint Committee
PO Box 2129
Raleigh, NC 27602
Ms. Maureen Darcy, Chair
(919) 782-3211
FAX (919) 781-9461
www.ncbon.com

N.C. State Board of Dental Examiners
15100 Weston Parkway Suite 101
Cary, NC 27513
Mr. Bobby D. White, Chief Operations Officer
(919) 678-8223
FAX (919) 678-8472
www.ncdentalboard.org

N.C. Board of Pharmacy
6015 Farrington Road, Suite 201
Chapel Hill, NC 27515-4560
Mr. David Work, Executive Director
(919) 942-4454
FAX: (919) 967-5757
www.ncbop.org

N.C. Medical Board
1203 Front Street
PO Box 20007
Raleigh, NC 27609
Mr. R. David Henderson, Executive Director
(919) 326-1100, (919) 326-1109 or 1-800-253-9653 (in-state)
FAX: (919) 326-1130
www.ncmedboard.org

N.C. Board of Nursing
PO Box 2129
Raleigh, NC 27602
Ms. Polly Johnson, Executive Director
(919) 782-3211
FAX: (919) 781-9461
www.ncbon.com

N.C. State Board of Examiners in Optometry
109 North Graham Street
Wallace, NC 28466
Dr. John Robinson, Executive Director
(910) 285-3160 or 1-800-426-4457 (in-state)
FAX: (910) 285-4546
www.ncoptometry.org

N.C. State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners
18 West Colony Place, Suite 120
Durham, NC 27705
Mr. Ben F. Massey, Jr. PT, Executive Director
(919) 490-6393 or 1-800-800-8982 (in-state)
FAX: (919) 490-5106
www.ncptboard.org

The Board of Podiatry Examiners of the State of North Carolina
1500 Sunday Drive, Suite 102
Raleigh, NC 27607
Mr. David Feild, Executive Secretary
(919) 787-5181
FAX (919) 787-4916
www.ncbpe.org

N.C. Psychology Board
895 State Farm Road, Suite 101
Boone, NC 28607
Ms. Martha N. Storie, Executive Director
(828) 262-2258
FAX: (828) 265-8611
www.ncpsychologyboard.org

Data Listing for Each Profession

The following pages list the data available for each profession. The professions are sorted in alphabetical order except Physician Assistants, which are grouped with Nurse Practitioners. When data are not available for all years, the years for which data are available will be indicated in parentheses.

1. *License/certification number*
2. *Licensing date* (month and year)
3. *Name*
first
middle initial
last
4. *Mailing address* (1984-2003)
office name (if business address)
street
city
state
zip code
county
AHEC
HSA
5. *Office address (if different from mailing address)* (1984-1999)
office name
street
city
state
zip code
county
AHEC
HSA
6. *Home address* (1979-1983)
street
city
state
zip code
county
AHEC
HSA
7. *Business address* (1979-1983)
business name
street
city
state
zip code
county
AHEC
HSA
8. *Preferred mailing address* (1979-1983)
1 = home
2 = business
• = unknown
9. *Location codes (based on home address if individual is inactive or if the business address is unknown; otherwise based on the business address)*
county
state
1 = in state
2 = out of state
-9 = state unknown
AHEC
HSA
10. *Birth year*
11. *Gender*
1 = male
2 = female
• = unknown
12. *Race*
1 = White
2 = Black
3 = American Indian
4 = Asian
5 = Other
• = Unknown
13. *Spanish origin* (1979-1983)
1 = yes
2 = no
• = unknown
14. *Basic professional education-state*
15. *Basic professional education-school*
16. *Basic professional education-year*
17. *Activity status*
1 = active
2 = inactive
• = unknown
18. *Reason inactive* (1982-2003)
1 = working in other field
2 = retired
3 = homemaker
4 = in professional training
5 = other
• = unknown

Reason inactive (1979-1981)
1 = other work - wants work in profession
2 = other work-doesn't want work in profession
3 = not working-wants work in profession
4 = doesn't want work -retired
5 = doesn't want work - homemaker
6 = doesn't want work - training
7 = doesn't want work - other reason
• = reason unknown
19. *Primary specialty*
1 = neurology
2 = orthopedics
3 = roentgenology
4 = other specialty
0 = none
• = unknown
20. *Secondary specialty* (1979-1981, 1984-2003)
21. *Tertiary specialty* (1979-1981)
22. *Form of employment* (1982-2003)
1 = solo—self employed
2 = non-solo—self employed
3 = individual practitioner
4 = partnership or group
5 = local government
6 = county government
7 = state government
8 = Federal government
9 = other
• = unknown

Form of employment (1979-1981)

Self employed:

11 = solo

12 = partnership or group

Non-governmental employer:

21 = individual practice

22 = retail or wholesale trade

23 = partnership or group

24 = group health plan facility

25 = other

Governmental employer:

31 = local

32 = county

33 = state

34 = federal-civilian

35 = federal-military

Miscellaneous:

41 = unpaid worker

44 = other

• = unknown

23. *Employment setting (1982-2003)*

Nonfederal:

11 = hospital

12 = nursing home

13 = free-standing clinic

14 = group pre-paid health facility

15 = practitioner's office

16 = other

Federal:

21 = military

22 = V.A., public health, Indian health

23 = other

Miscellaneous:

30 = school, college, university or other educational institution

71 = other type of setting

• = unknown

Employment setting (1979-1981)

Nonfederal:

11 = hospital

12 = nursing home

13 = clinic

14 = group health facility

15 = practitioner's office

16 = other

Federal:

21 = military

22 = other

Schools:

31 = medicine, dentistry

32 = nursing

33 = other health profession

34 = school, handicapped

35 = school, elementary or secondary

36 = other

Miscellaneous:

41 = patient's home

42 = medical research facility

43 = professional or allied health association

44 = administrative health agency

Business establishments:

51 = manufacturing or industrial

52 = retail, wholesale, or other business

Other settings:

71 = other

• = unknown

24. *Total hours practiced per average week*25. *Percent time in patient care*26. *Hours per week in retailing (1979-1981)*27. *Hours per week in teaching (1979-1981)*28. *Hours per week in research (1979-1981)*29. *Hours per week in administration (1979-1981)*30. *Hours per week in other activity (1979-1981)*31. *Number of weeks worked past 12 months (1979-1981)*

* If a variable is not available for all years, it will be noted in parentheses.

1. *Approval number*
2. *Year of Approval*
3. *Primary Worksite*
 - site name
 - street
 - city
 - state
 - zip code
 - county
 - AHEC
 - HSA
4. *Secondary Worksite*
 - site name
 - street
 - city
 - state
 - zip code
 - county
 - AHEC
 - HSA
5. *Home Zip*
6. *Basic professional education-school*
7. *Basic professional education-year*
8. *Location codes (based primary worksite)*
 - county
 - state
 - 1 = in-state
 - 2 = out of state
 - 9 = state unknown
 - AHEC
 - HSA

* If a variable is not available for all years, it will be noted in parentheses.

1. *License/certification number*
2. *Licensing date*
3. *Name*
first, middle initial, last
4. *Home address*
street
city
state
zip code
county
AHEC
HSA
5. *Business address*
business name
street
city
state
zip code
county
AHEC
HSA
6. *Preferred mailing address*
1 = home
2 = business
• = unknown
7. *Location codes (based on home address if individual is inactive or if business is unknown; otherwise based on business address)*
county
state
1 = in state
2 = out of state
-9 = state unknown
AHEC
HSA
8. *Birth year*
9. *Gender*
1 = male
2 = female
• = unknown
10. *Race (1994-2003)*
1 = White
2 = Black
3 = American Indian
4 = Asian
5 = Other
6 = Hispanic
• = Unknown

Race (1979-1984; 1986-1993)
1 = White
2 = Black
3 = American Indian
4 = Asian
5 = Other
• = Unknown
11. *Spanish Origin (1979-1982)*
1 = yes
2 = no
• = unknown
12. *Marital status (1979-1981)*
1 = never married
2 = married
3 = separated/divorced
4 = widowed
• = unknown
13. *State of residence before training (1979-1981)*
14. *Basic professional education - school*
15. *Basic professional education - state*
16. *Basic professional education - year*
17. *Basic professional education*
1 = less than high school
2 = high school or equivalent
3 = nursing school, diploma
4 = associate degree
5 = baccalaureate degree
6 = master's degree
7 = doctorate
- Type of Advanced Training (1979-1981)*
(may have more than one type)
18. *Advanced training in dental hygiene*
19. *Advanced training - preceptor trained*
20. *Advanced training - certificate or diploma*
21. *Advanced training - associate degree*
22. *Advanced training - bachelor's degree*
23. *Advanced training - master's degree*
24. *Advanced training - other degree*
25. *Degree in other field (1979-1981)*
1 = yes
2 = no
• = unknown
26. *Highest degree, other field (1979-1981)*
1 = diploma
2 = associate
3 = bachelor's degree
4 = master's degree
5 = doctorate
6 = other
• = unknown
8 = not applicable
27. *Activity status*
1 = active
2 = inactive
• = unknown

28. *Reason inactive* (1982-1984; 1986-2003)

- 1 = working in other field
- 2 = retired
- 3 = homemaker
- 4 = in professional training
- 5 = other
- = unknown

Reason inactive (1979-1981)

- 1 = other - wants work in profession
- 2 = other work - doesn't want work in prof.
- 3 = not working - wants work in profession
- 4 = doesn't want work - retired
- 5 = doesn't want work - homemaker
- 6 = doesn't want work - training
- 7 = doesn't want work - other reason
- = reason unknown

29. *Form of employment* (1982-1984; 1986-2003)

- 1 = solo—self employed
- 2 = non-solo—self employed
- 3 = individual practitioner
- 4 = partnership or group
- 5 = local government
- 6 = county government
- 7 = State government
- 8 = Federal government
- 9 = other
- = unknown

Form of employment (1979-1981)

- 1 = dentist(s) - private
- 2 = state government
- 3 = federal government
- 4 = local government
- 5 = private industry
- 6 = other
- = unknown

30. *Employment setting* (1982-1984; 1986-2003)

Nonfederal:

- 11 = hospital
- 12 = nursing home
- 13 = free-standing clinic
- 14 = group pre-paid health facility
- 15 = practitioner's office
- 16 = other

Federal:

- 21 = military
- 22 = V.A., public health, Indian health
- 23 = other

Miscellaneous:

- 30 = school, college, university or other educational institution
- 71 = other type of setting
- = unknown

Employment setting (1979-1981)

- 1 = private dental office
- 2 = dental or dental auxiliary program
- 3 = elementary or secondary school
- 4 = clinic
- 5 = instruction
- 6 = other
- = unknown

31. *Number of practice locations* (1979-1981)32. *Dental employers - total number* (1979-1981)33. *Dental employers - number general practitioners* (1979-1981)34. *Dental employers - number pedodontists* (1979-1981)35. *Dental employers - number periodontists* (1979-1981)36. *Dental employers - number other specialists* (1979-1981)37. *Currently providing patient care* (1979-1981)

- 1 = yes
- 2 = no
- = unknown

38. *Total hours per week* (1979-1984; 1986-2003)39. *Hours per week - prophylaxis* (1979-1981)40. *Hours per week - oral hygiene* (1979-1981)41. *Hours per week-oral health instruction* (1979-1981)42. *Hours per week-other patient services* (1979-1981)43. *Hours per week - administration* (1979-1981)44. *Hours per week - teaching dental or dental auxiliary students* (1979-1981)45. *Number of weeks worked last 12 months* (1979-1981)46. *Percent time in patient care* (1982-1984; 1986-2003)

* If a variable is not available for all years, it will be noted in parentheses. There are no data available for 1985.

1. *License/certification number*
2. *Licensing date*
3. *Name*
first
middle initial
last
4. *Home address*
street
city
state
zip code
county
AHEC
HSA
5. *Business address*
business name
street
city
state
zip code
county
AHEC
HSA
6. *Preferred mailing address*
1 = home
2 = business
• = unknown
7. *Primary location codes (based on home address if individual is inactive or if the primary business address is unknown; otherwise based on based on primary business address)*
county
state
1 = in state
2 = out of state
-9 = state unknown
AHEC
HSA
8. *Secondary practice*
1 = yes
2 = no
• = unknown
9. *Secondary location codes (based on address of secondary business if one exists)*
city
county
10. *Percent time at primary location (1979-1984)*
11. *Percent time at secondary location (1979-1984)*
12. *Birth year*
13. *Gender*
1 = male
2 = female
• = unknown
14. *Race (1994-2003)*
1 = White
2 = Black
3 = American Indian
4 = Asian
5 = Other
6 = Hispanic
• = unknown

Race (1979-1984, 1986-1993)
1 = White
2 = Black
3 = American Indian
4 = Asian
5 = Other
• = unknown
15. *Spanish Origin (1979-1982)*
1 = yes
2 = no
• = unknown
16. *State or country of residence before training (1979-1981)*
17. *Basic professional education - school*
18. *Basic professional education - state*
19. *Basic professional education - year*
20. *Advanced training (1979-1981)*
1 = yes
2 = no
• = unknown

Type of Advanced Training (1979-1981) (may have more than one type)
21. *Advanced training in general practice residency/internship*
22. *Specialty training - certificate*
23. *Specialty training - master's degree*
24. *Other - dental*
25. *Master's degree, non-dental*
26. *Doctorate, non-dental*
27. *Other, non-dental*
28. *Activity status (1979-1984; 1986-2003)*
1 = active
2 = inactive
• = unknown

29. *Reason inactive* (1982-1984; 1986-2003)
 1 = working in other field
 2 = retired
 3 = homemaker
 4 = in professional training
 5 = other
 • = unknown
30. *Reason inactive* (1979-1981)
 1 = other work - wants work in profession
 2 = other work - doesn't want work in prof.
 3 = not working - wants work in profession
 4 = doesn't want work - retired
 5 = doesn't want work - homemaker
 6 = doesn't want work - training
 7 = doesn't want work - their reason
 • = reason unknown
31. *Primary specialty*
 1 = general dentistry
 2 = endodontics
 3 = oral pathology
 4 = oral surgery
 5 = orthodontics
 6 = pedodontics
 7 = periodontics
 8 = prosthodontics
 9 = dental public health
 0 = no specialty
 • = unknown
32. *Form of employment* (1982-1984; 1986-2003)
 1 = solo - self employed
 2 = non-solo - self employed
 3 = individual practitioner
 4 = partnership or group
 5 = local government
 6 = county government
 7 = State government
 8 = Federal government
 9 = other
 • = unknown
- Form of employment* (1979-1981)
 Self-employed:
 1 = solo
 2 = partnership or group
 Non-governmental employer:
 3 = other dentists
 Governmental employer:
 4 = state government
 5 = federal government
 6 = other
 • = unknown
33. *Employment setting* (1982-1984; 1986-2003)
 Nonfederal:
 11 = hospital
 12 = nursing home
 13 = free-standing clinic
 14 = group pre-paid health facility
 15 = practitioner's office
 16 = other
 Federal:
 21 = military
 22 = V.A., public health, Indian health
 23 = other
- Miscellaneous:
 30 = school, college, university or other educational institution
 71 = other type of setting
 • = unknown
- Employment setting* (1979-1981)
 1 = private office
 2 = dental school
 3 = clinic
 4 = hospital
 5 = other institution
 6 = other
 • = unknown
34. *Total hours per week in dentistry*
 35. *Percent time - patient care*
 36. *Hours per week - administration* (1979-1981)
 37. *Hours per week - research* (1979-1981)
 38. *Hours per week - teaching* (1979-1981)
 39. *Hours per week - other* (1979-1981)
 40. *Weeks worked past 12 months* (1979-1981)
- Number of office staff* (1980-1981)
 41. *Dental assistants*
 42. *Dental hygienists*
 43. *Lab technologists*
 44. *Receptionists, secretaries*
 45. *Other non-dentists*
 46. *Total non-dentists*
- Number of office staff*
 47. *Dentists* (1982-1984, 1986-2003)
 48. *Non-dentists* (1982-1984, 1986-1989)
 49. *Dental hygienists* (1990-2003)
 50. *Dental assistants* (1990-2003)

* If a variable is not available for all years, it will be noted in parentheses. There are no data available for 1985.

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|---|--|
| <p>1. <i>License/certification number</i></p> <p>2. <i>Licensing date</i>
month
year</p> <p>3. <i>Year of license renewal (approximately half are renewed on odd yrs., half on even yrs.)</i></p> <p>4. <i>Name</i>
first
middle initial
last</p> <p>5. <i>Home address</i>
state
county
AHEC
HSA</p> <p>6. <i>Business address</i>
city
state
zip code
county
AHEC
HSA</p> <p>7. <i>Mailing address</i>
street
city
state
zip code</p> <p>8. <i>Location codes (based on mailing address if individual is inactive or if the business address is unknown; otherwise based on the business address)</i>
county
state
1 = in state
2 = out of state
-9 = state unknown
AHEC
HSA</p> <p>9. <i>Birth year</i></p> <p>10. <i>Gender</i>
1 = male
2 = female
• = unknown</p> <p>11. <i>Race (1992-2003)</i>
1 = White
2 = Black
3 = American Indian
4 = Hispanic
5 = Asian
6 = Other
• = Unknown</p> | <p><i>Race (1979-1991)</i>
1 = White
2 = Black
3 = American Indian
4 = Asian
5 = Other
• = Unknown</p> <p>12. <i>Spanish origin (1979-2003)</i>
1 = yes
2 = no
• = unknown</p> <p>13. <i>Marital status (1979-1981)</i>
1 = never married
2 = married
3 = separated/divorced
4 = widowed
• = unknown</p> <p>14. <i>Graduate of practical or vocational nursing program (1979-1981)</i>
1 = yes
2 = no
• = unknown</p> <p>15. <i>Basic professional education - school</i></p> <p>16. <i>Basic professional education - state</i></p> <p>17. <i>Basic professional education - year</i></p> <p>18. <i>Highest education completed (1992-2003)</i>
0 = High school graduate or equivalent
1 = LPN diploma
2 = Associate degree in nursing
3 = Associate degree (other)
4 = Baccalaureate degree in nursing
5 = Baccalaureate degree (other)
• = unknown</p> <p><i>Highest education completed (1985-1991)</i>
1 = High school graduate or equivalent
2 = LPN diploma
3 = Associate degree in nursing
4 = Associate degree (other)
5 = Baccalaureate degree in nursing
6 = Baccalaureate degree (other)
7 = Less than high school
8 = Associate degree (type unknown)
9 = Baccalaureate degree (type unknown)
• = unknown</p> <p><i>Highest education completed (1979-1984)</i>
1 = Less than high school
2 = High school
3 = Associate
4 = Baccalaureate or higher
• = unknown</p> |
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Data Available for Licensed Practical Nurses, 1979-2003*

19. *Education toward registered nursing degree (1979-1981)*
- 1 = none
 - 2 = some RN courses
 - 3 = working toward RN license
 - 4 = active RN license
 - = unknown
20. *State or country of active RN license (1979-1981)*
21. *Present employment status (2001-2003)*
- 1 = employed in nursing full-time
 - 2 = employed in nursing part-time
 - 3 = employed in other field full-time
 - 4 = employed in other field part-time
 - 5 = unemployed
 - 4 = retired
 - = unknown
- Present employment status (1980-2000)*
- 1 = employed in nursing full-time
 - 2 = employed in nursing part-time
 - 3 = employed in other field full-time
 - 4 = employed in other field part-time
 - 5 = unemployed
 - = unknown
- Present employment status (1979 only)*
- 1 = employed in nursing full-time
 - 2 = employed in nursing part-time
 - 3 = employed in other field full-time
 - 4 = employed in other field part-time
 - 5 = unemployed
 - 6 = employed in nursing, hours unknown
 - 7 = employed in other field, hours unknown
 - = unknown
22. *Inactive status (1980-1981)*
- 1 = wants work in profession
 - 2 = other work - doesn't want work in profession
 - 3 = not working - wants work in profession
 - 4 = not working - doesn't want work in profession
 - 5 = other
 - = unknown
23. *Setting (1999-2003)*
- 1 = hospital-in-patient
 - 2 = hospital-out-patient
 - 3 = long term care
 - 4 = solo/group medical practice
 - 5 = HMO/insurance company
 - 6 = home care/hospice
 - 7 = public clinic/ health department
 - 8 = mental health facility
 - 9 = student health site
 - 10 = industry/ manufacturing site
 - 11 = private duty
 - 12 = school of nursing
 - 13 = other
 - = unknown
- Setting (1992-1998)*
- 1 = hospital
 - 2 = nursing home
 - 3 = private duty
 - 4 = industrial/occupational health
 - 5 = physician/dentist office nurse
 - 6 = community
 - 7 = school
 - 8 = other
 - = unknown
- Setting (1979-1991)*
- 1 = hospital
 - 2 = nursing home
 - 3 = private duty
 - 4 = industrial/occupational health
 - 5 = physician/dentist office nurse
 - 6 = community/public health
 - 7 = other
 - = unknown
24. *Avg. hours worked per week in nursing*
25. *Weeks worked last year (1979-1981)*
26. *Major clinical practice area (2001-2003)*
- 1 = public/community health
 - 2 = general practice
 - 3 = geriatrics
 - 4 = ob/gyn
 - 5 = med/surg
 - 6 = pediatrics
 - 7 = psychiatric
 - 8 = AIDS
 - 9 = cardiology
 - 10 = critical care
 - 11 = dermatology
 - 12 = dialysis
 - 13 = drug/alcohol
 - 14 = EENT
 - 15 = emergency care
 - 16 = family health
 - 17 = neonatal
 - 18 = neurology
 - 19 = occupational health
 - 20 = oncology
 - 21 = orthopedics
 - 22 = peri-operative
 - 23 = rehabilitation
 - 24 = transplants
 - 25 = urology
 - 26 = other
 - = unknown

* If a variable is not available for all years, it will be noted in parentheses.

Data Available for Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants, 1979-2003*

1. *License/certification number*
2. *Issue date*
month
year
3. *Name*
first
middle initial
last
4. *Home address (1979-1993)*
county
state
5. *Mailing address*
address line 1
address line 2
city
state
zip code
county
AHEC
HSA
6. *Location codes (based on home address if the business address is unknown; otherwise based on the business address)*
county
state
1 = in state
2 = out of state
-9 = state unknown
AHEC
HSA
7. *Birth date (day, month, and year)*
8. *Gender (1994, 1999-2003)*
1 = male
2 = female
• = unknown
9. *Race (1999-2003)*
1 = White/Non-Hispanic
2 = Black/Non-Hispanic
3 = American Indian/Alaskan Native
4 = Asian/Pacific Islander
5 = Hispanic
6 = Other
• = unknown

Race (1994)
1 = White
2 = Black
3 = American Indian
4 = Asian
5 = Other
6 = Hispanic
• = unknown
10. *Training program - school (1985-2003)*
11. *Training program - state (1995-2003)*
12. *Training program - year (1985-1993, 1995-2003)*
13. *Activity Status (1995-2003)*
1 = active
2 = inactive
• = unknown
14. *Profession code (1992-2003)*
1 = physician assistant
2 = nurse practitioner
15. *Physician Extender Type (2000-2003)*
0 = nurse practitioner, type unknown
2 = family nurse practitioner
3 = pediatric nurse practitioner
4 = family planning nurse
5 = women's health
6 = geriatric nurse
8 = obstetrics nurse
9 = adult nurse practitioner
10 = acute care nurse practitioner
11 = neonatal nurse practitioner
12 = psychiatric mental health
13 = occupational health nurse
14 = physician med nurse
15 = school nurse practitioner
16 = special volunteer license
• = unknown

Physician Extender Type (1996-1999)
0 = nurse practitioner, type unknown
1 = physician assistant
2 = family nurse practitioner
3 = pediatric nurse practitioner
4 = family planning nurse
5 = women's health
6 = geriatric nurse
7 = emergency nurse practitioner
8 = obstetrics nurse
9 = adult nurse practitioner
10 = acute care nurse practitioner
11 = neonatal nurse practitioner
12 = psychiatric mental health
• = unknown
16. *Primary Specialty (1996-2003) (see pages 189-190 for specialty listing)*
17. *Secondary Specialty (1996-2003) (see pages 189-190 for specialty listing)*
18. *Supervising Physician License Number (1996-2003)*
19. *Backup Physician license number (1994-1995)*
20. *Profession code (1979-1991)*
1 = physician assistant
2 = family nurse practitioner
3 = pediatric nurse practitioner
4 = family planning nurse
5 = nurse midwife
6 = geriatric nurse
7 = emergency nurse practitioner
8 = ob/gyn nurse practitioner
9 = adult nurse practitioner
10 = nurse practitioner, type unknown
• = unknown
21. *Basic professional education - school (1979-1984)*
22. *Basic professional education - state (1979-1984)*
23. *Basic professional education - year (1979-1984)*

24. *Primary practice location*

ZIP code (1997-2003)
county (1997-2003)

25. *Primary location facility type (1998-2003)*

01 = locum tenens
02 = solo practitioner's office
03 = free-standing clinic
04 = group office
05 = staff or group model HMO
06 = hospital-outpatient dept
07 = hospital-emergency room
08 = hospital-other
09 = medical school or parent university
10 = nursing home/extended care facility
11 = telemedicine
12 = other
• = unknown

Primary location facility type (1997)

01 = locum tenens
02 = solo practitioner's office
03 = free-standing clinic
04 = group office
05 = staff or group model HMO
06 = hospital-outpatient dept
07 = hospital-emergency room
08 = hospital-other
09 = medical school or parent university
10 = nursing home/extended care facility
11 = other

26. *Primary location hours per week-clinical care - excluding on-call hours (1997-2003)*27. *Primary location clinical care hours per week-primary care (1997-2003)*28. *Primary location number of week-day nights and weekend days on call (1997-2003)*29. *Secondary practice location*

ZIP code (1992-2003)
county (1992-2003)

30. *Secondary location facility type (1998-2003)*

01 = locum tenens
02 = solo practitioner's office
03 = free-standing clinic
04 = group office
05 = staff or group model HMO
06 = hospital-outpatient dept
07 = hospital-emergency room
08 = hospital-other
09 = medical school or parent university
10 = nursing home/extended care facility
11 = telemedicine
12 = other
• = unknown

Secondary location facility type (1997)

01 = locum tenens
02 = solo practitioner's office
03 = free-standing clinic
04 = group office
05 = staff or group model HMO
06 = hospital-outpatient dept
07 = hospital-emergency room
08 = hospital-other
09 = medical school or parent university
10 = nursing home/extended care facility
11 = other

31. *Secondary location hours per week-clinical care - excluding on-call hours (1997-2003)*32. *Secondary location clinical care hours per week-primary care (1997-2003)*33. *Secondary location number of week-day nights and weekend days on call (1997-2003)*34. *Other practice location*

ZIP code (1992-2003)
county (1992-2003)

35. *Other location facility type (1998-2003)*

01 = locum tenens
02 = solo practitioner's office
03 = free-standing clinic
04 = group office
05 = staff or group model HMO
06 = hospital-outpatient dept
07 = hospital-emergency room
08 = hospital-other
09 = medical school or parent university
10 = nursing home/extended care facility
11 = telemedicine
12 = other
• = unknown

Other location facility type (1997)

01 = locum tenens
02 = solo practitioner's office
03 = free-standing clinic
04 = group office
05 = staff or group model HMO
06 = hospital-outpatient dept
07 = hospital-emergency room
08 = hospital-other
09 = medical school or parent university
10 = nursing home/extended care facility
11 = other

36. *Other location hours per week-clinical care -excluding on-call hours (1997-2003)*37. *Other location clinical care hours per week-primary care (1997-2003)*38. *Other location number of week-day nights and weekend days on call (1997-2003)*

* If a variable is not available for all years, it will be noted in parentheses.

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| <p>1. <i>License/certification number</i></p> <p>2. <i>Licensing date</i>
month
year</p> <p>3. <i>Name</i>
first
middle initial
last</p> <p>4. <i>Home address</i>
street
city
state
zip code
county
AHEC
HSA</p> <p>5. <i>Business address</i>
business name
street
city
state
zip code
county
AHEC
HSA</p> <p>6. <i>Preferred mailing address (1979-1981)</i>
1 = home
2 = business
• = unknown</p> <p>7. <i>Location codes (based on home address if individual is inactive or if the business address is unknown; otherwise based on the business address)</i>
county
state
1 = in state
2 = out of state
-9 = state unknown
AHEC
HSA</p> <p>8. <i>Birth year</i></p> <p>9. <i>Gender</i>
1 = male
2 = female
• = unknown</p> <p>10. <i>Race (1992-2003)</i>
1 = White
2 = Black
3 = American Indian
4 = Asian
5 = Hispanic
6 = Other
• = Unknown</p> | <p><i>Race (1979-1991)</i>
1 = White
2 = Black
3 = American Indian
4 = Asian
5 = Other
• = Unknown</p> <p>11. <i>Spanish origin</i>
1 = yes
2 = no
• = unknown</p> <p>12. <i>Basic professional education - school (1979-1982)</i></p> <p>13. <i>Basic professional education - state</i></p> <p>14. <i>Basic professional education - year</i></p> <p>15. <i>Basic professional education - degree (1979-1984)</i>
1 = less than high school
2 = high school or equivalent
3 = nursing school, diploma
4 = associate degree
5 = baccalaureate degree
6 = masters degree
7 = doctoral degree
• = unknown</p> <p>16. <i>Activity status</i>
1 = active
2 = inactive
• = unknown</p> <p>17. <i>Reason inactive (1982-2003)</i>
1 = working in other field
2 = retired
3 = homemaker
4 = in professional training
5 = other
• = unknown</p> <p><i>Reason inactive (1979-1981)</i>
1 = other work - wants work in profession
2 = other work - doesn't want work in profession
3 = not working - wants work in profession
4 = doesn't want work - retired
5 = doesn't want work - homemaker
6 = doesn't want work - training
7 = doesn't want work - other reason
• = unknown</p> <p>18. <i>Primary specialty (1982-2003)</i>
11 = general practice
12 = contact lenses
14 = low/subnormal vision
15 = developmental vision
17 = public health/community health
20 = other
0 = no specialty
• = unknown</p> |
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Primary specialty (1979-1981)

- 11 = general practice
- 12 = contact lenses
- 13 = vision/training - orthoptics
- 14 = low/subnormal vision
- 15 = developmental vision
- 16 = industrial/environmental/occupational
- 17 = public/community health
- 18 = vision screening
- 19 = aniseikonia
- 10 = other
- 0 = no specialty
- = unknown

19. *Secondary specialty – see primary specialty*20. *Tertiary specialty (1979-1981) - see primary specialty*21. *Form of employment (1982-2003)*

- 1 = solo- self-employed
- 2 = non-solo- self-employed
- 3 = individual practitioner
- 4 = partnership or group
- 5 = local government
- 6 = county government
- 7 = State government
- 8 = Federal government
- 9 = other
- = unknown

*Form of employment (1979-1981)**Self employed:*

- 1 = solo
- 2 = partner
- 3 = group
- 4 = other

Employed by other:

- 5 = professional corporation
- 6 = optometrist
- 7 = ophthalmologist
- 8 = physician - not ophthalmologist
- 9 = school/college of optometry
- 10 = federal govt - military
- 11 = federal govt - civilian
- 12 = state/county/local govt
- 13 = business organization
- 14 = non-profit organization
- 15 = multidisciplinary group
- 16 = group health plan
- 17 = other
- 18 = professional association
- = unknown

22. *Employment setting (1982-2003)**Nonfederal:*

- 11 = hospital
- 12 = nursing home
- 13 = free-standing clinic
- 14 = group pre-paid health facility
- 15 = practitioner's office
- 16 = other

Federal:

- 21 = military
- 22 = VA, public health, Indian health
- 23 = other

Miscellaneous:

- 30 = school, college, university or other educational institution
- 71 = other type of setting
- = unknown

Employment setting (1979-1981)

- 1 = practitioners office
- 2 = hospital
- 3 = optometric center
- 4 = college, university
- 5 = other
- = unknown

23. *Total hours per average week (1979-1984; 1986-2003)*24. *Percent time in patient care*25. *Hours per week in teaching (1979-1981)*26. *Hours per week in research (1979-1981)*27. *Hours per week in administration (1979-1981)*28. *Hours per week in other activity (1979-1981)*29. *Number of weeks worked in past 12 months (1979-1981)*30. *Non-optometric degree(s) (1979-1981)*

- 1 = yes
- 2 = no
- = unknown

*Type of non-optometric degree (1979-1981)*31. *Baccalaureate*32. *Masters, Public Health*33. *Masters, other*34. *Doctorate, Public Health*35. *Doctorate, other*36. *Other*37. *Percent time in primary specialty in past 12 months (1979-1981)*

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38. *Support personnel* (1979-1981)
1 = yes
2 = no
• = unknown
39. *Certified to prescribe drugs* (1979-1984)
1 = yes
2 = no
• = unknown
40. *Patients seen in last 24 months* (1979-1981)
41. *Number of complete vision analyses in last 12 months*
(1979-1981)
42. *Total continuing education credits* (1979-1984)
43. *General continuing education credits* (1979-1984)
44. *Certified continuing education credits* (1979-1984)
45. *DEA number*
46. *Branch office* (1984-2003)
1 = yes
2 = no
• = unknown
47. *Number of branch offices* (1984-2003)

* If a variable is not available for all years, it
will be noted in parentheses.

1. *License/certification number*
2. *Licensing date*
month
year
3. *Name*
first
middle initial
last
4. *Home address*
street
city
state
zip code
county
AHEC
HSA
5. *Business address*
business name
street
city
state
zip code
county
AHEC
HSA
6. *Preferred mailing address*
1 = home
2 = business
• = unknown
7. *Location codes (based on home address if individual is inactive or if business address is unknown; otherwise based on business address)*
county
state
1 = in state
2 = out of state
-9 = state unknown
AHEC
HSA
8. *Birth year*
9. *Gender*
1 = male
2 = female
• = unknown
10. *Race (1993-2003)*
1 = White
2 = Black
3 = American Indian
4 = Asian
5 = Hispanic
6 = Other
• = Unknown

Race (1979-1992)
1 = White
2 = Black
3 = American Indian
4 = Asian
5 = Other
• = Unknown
11. *Spanish origin (1979-1992)*
1 = yes
2 = no
• = unknown
12. *Basic professional education - state*
13. *Basic professional education, - school (1984-2003)*
14. *Basic professional education - year*
15. *Basic professional education - degree (1992-2003)*
0 = non-graduate
1 = Ph.G/C/D before 1940
2 = Bachelor of Science (4 year)
3 = Bachelor of Science (5 year)
4 = P.D. (Pharm D.)
5 = D.Ph (Cuba)
• = unknown

Basic professional education - degree (1982-1991)
1 = Bachelor of Science
2 = Doctor of Philosophy
3 = Doctor of Pharmacy (Cuba: D Pharm, DPh)
4 = Non-graduate degree
5 = Ph.G., 18 month degree
6 = Pharmacy Doctor (Pharm D or PD)
• = unknown

Basic professional education - degree (1979-1981)
1 = no degree
2 = Ph. C., Ph.G., Pharm. D, D (before 1940)
3 = B.S., or B. Pharm, 4 year program
4 = B.S. or B. Pharm, 5 year program
5 = Pharm. D., 6 year program
16. *Advanced professional degree (1979-1981)*
1 = Pharmaceutics
2 = Hospital pharmacy
3 = Clinical pharmacy
4 = Pharmacognosy
5 = Pharmacology
6 = Pharmacy-administration
7 = Medicinal chemistry
8 = other
• = unknown
17. *Advanced training (1979-1981)*
1 = yes
2 = no
• = unknown

Type of advanced training (1979-1981) (may have more than one type)
18. *Advanced training - continuing education*
19. *Advanced training - residency, hospital pharmacy*
20. *Advanced training - residency., clinic pharmacy*
21. *Advanced training - master of science*
22. *Advanced training - post B.S. Pharm. D.*
23. *Advanced training - Ph.D. or D.Sc.*
24. *Advanced training - other*

25. *Activity status*

- 1 = active
- 2 = inactive
- = unknown

26. *Reason inactive (1982-2003)*

- 2 = retired
- 4 = student
- 6 = other reason
- = unknown

Reason inactive (1979-1981)

- 1 = other work - wants work in profession
- 2 = other work - doesn't want work in profession
- 3 = not working - wants work in profession
- 4 = doesn't want work - retired
- 5 = doesn't want work - homemaker
- 6 = doesn't want work - training
- 7 = doesn't want work - other reason
- = unknown

27. *Form of employment (2003)*

- 5 = pharmacist manager/employee
- 6 = staff - pharmacist
- 13 = other
- 15 = clinical pharmacist practitioner
- = unknown

Form of employment (1997-2001)

- 1 = sole owner - manager
- 2 = partner/manager
- 3 = partner/non-manager
- 4 = supervisor
- 5 = pharmacist manager/employee
- 6 = staff - pharmacist
- 7 = unpaid worker (volunteer)
- 8 = pharmaceutical sales
- 9 = pharmaceutical manufacturing
- 10 = consultant
- 11 = relief pharmacist
- 13 = other
- 14 = LTC
- = unknown

Form of employment (1982-1996)

- 1 = sole owner - manager
- 2 = partner/manager
- 3 = partner/non-manager
- 4 = area manager/supervisor
- 5 = pharmacist manager/employee
- 6 = staff - pharmacist
- 7 = unpaid worker (volunteer)
- 8 = pharmaceutical sales
- 9 = pharmaceutical manufacturing
- 10 = consultant
- 11 = relief pharmacist
- 12 = research pharmacist
- 13 = other
- = unknown

Form of employment (1979-1981)

- 1 = sole owner - manager
- 2 = partner
- 3 = manager - employee
- 4 = assistant manager - employee
- 5 = staff - employee
- 6 = unpaid worker
- 7 = other
- = unknown

28. *Principal employment setting (1982-2003)*

- 1 = independent
- 2 = chain
- 3 = small chain
- 4 = clinic/medical building
- 5 = nursing home
- 6 = hospital
- 7 = government hospital
- 8 = government
- 9 = manufacturing
- 10 = wholesale
- 11 = teaching
- 12 = other
- 13 = sales (pharmaceutic)
- 14 = research
- 15 = health department (added in 1992)
- = unknown

Principal employment setting (1979-1981)

- 1 = independent community pharmacy
- 2 = small chain
- 3 = large chain
- 4 = clinic/medical building
- 5 = nursing home
- 6 = private hospital
- 7 = government hospital
- 8 = other government
- 9 = manufacturer
- 10 = wholesale
- 11 = college
- 12 = other
- = unknown

29. *Hours worked per average week**Hours worked per week, by function (1979-1981)*30. *Hours per week - administration*31. *Hours per week - info. to prescribers and institutional clients*32. *Hours per week - info. to patients*33. *Hours per week - dispensing prescriptions*34. *Hours per week - teaching or research*35. *Hours per week - manufacturing or bulk compounding*36. *Hours per week - retailing non-health merchandise*37. *Hours per week - other**Hours worked per week, by setting (1979-1981)*38. *Hours per week - independent community pharmacy*39. *Hours per week - small chain*40. *Hours per week - large chain*41. *Hours per week - clinic/medical building*42. *Hours per week - nursing home*43. *Hours per week - private hospital*44. *Hours per week - government hospital*45. *Hours per week - other government*

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46. *Hours per week - manufacturer*
 47. *Hours per week - wholesaler*
 48. *Hours per week - college*
 49. *Hours per week - other*
 50. *Weeks worked last year (1979-1984)*

* If a variable is not available for all years, it will be noted in parentheses.

Data Available for Physical Therapists and Physical Therapist Assistants, 1979-2003*

1. *License/certification number*
2. *Licensing date* (1979-1981; 1983-2003)
month and year
3. *Name*
first, middle initial, last
4. *Home address*
street
city
state
zip code
county
AHEC
HSA
5. *Business address*
business name
street
city
state
zip code
county
AHEC
HSA
6. *Preferred mailing address*
1 = home
2 = business
• = unknown
7. *Location codes (based on home address if individual is inactive or if the business address is unknown; otherwise based on the business address)*
county
state
1 = in state
2 = out of state
-9 = state unknown
AHEC
HSA
8. *Birth year* (1979-1981; 1983-2003)
9. *Gender* (1979-1981; 1983-2003)
1 = male
2 = female
• = unknown
10. *Race* (1993-2003)
1 = White
2 = Black
3 = American Indian
4 = Asian
5 = Other
6 = Spanish Origin
Race (1979-1981; 1983-1992)
1 = White
2 = Black
3 = American Indian
4 = Asian
5 = Other
• = unknown
11. *Spanish origin* (1979-1981; 1983-2003)
1 = yes
2 = no
• = unknown
12. *Basic professional education - school* (1979-1981; 1983-2003)
13. *Basic professional education - state* (1979-1981; 1983-2003)
14. *Basic professional education - year* (1979-1981; 1983-2003)
15. *Basic professional education - degree* (1993-2003)
1 = associate degree
2 = baccalaureate degree
3 = physical therapy certificate
4 = masters degree
5 = GED
6 = high school
7 = doctoral degree
• = unknown
Basic professional education - degree (1983-1992)
1 = GED
2 = high school
4 = associate degree
5 = baccalaureate degree
6 = masters degree
7 = doctoral degree
8 = PT certificate
• = unknown
Basic professional education - degree (1979-1981)
2 = high school
4 = associate degree
5 = baccalaureate degree
6 = masters degree
7 = doctoral degree
• = unknown
16. *Activity status*
1 = active
2 = inactive
• = unknown
17. *Reason inactive* (2000-2003)
1 = unemployed- not seeking employment in physical therapy
5 = retired from physical therapy
6 = working in another field and do not plan to return to physical therapy
7 = working in another field but would like to return to physical therapy
8 = not working in any field
9 = student- in physical therapy
10 = student- not in physical therapy
11 = other
• = unknown
Reason inactive (1982-1999)
1 = working in other field
2 = retired
3 = homemaker
4 = student in physical therapy
5 = student not in physical therapy
6 = other
• = unknown

Reason inactive (1979-1981)

- 1 = other work - wants work in profession
- 2 = other work - doesn't want work in profession
- 3 = not working - wants work in profession
- 4 = doesn't want work - retired
- 5 = doesn't want work - homemaker
- 6 = doesn't want work - training
- 7 = doesn't want work - other reasons
- = reason unknown

18. *Form of employment (2000-2003)*

- 1 = self employed
- 2 = for-profit corporation
- 3 = not-for-profit corporation
- 4 = contract employee
- 5 = city, town government (not county)
- 6 = county government
- 7 = state government
- 8 = federal government
- 9 = other
- = unknown

Form of employment (1983-1984; 1986-1999)

Self-employed:

- 1 = solo practice
- 2 = non-solo practice

Non-governmental employer:

- 3 = individual practitioner
- 4 = group of practitioners

Governmental employer:

- 5 = city, town government (not county)
- 6 = county government
- 7 = state government
- 8 = federal government
- 9 = other
- = unknown

Form of employment (1979-1981)

Self-employed:

- 11 = solo
- 12 = partnership or group

Non-governmental employer:

- 21 = individual practice
- 22 = retail or wholesale trade
- 23 = partnership or group
- 24 = group health plan facility
- 25 = other

Governmental employer:

- 31 = local
- 32 = county
- 33 = state
- 34 = federal -civilian
- 35 = federal -military

Miscellaneous:

- 41 = unpaid worker
- 42 = other
- = unknown

19. *Employment setting (2000-2003)*

- 10 = home health
- 11 = hospital (acute care)
- 12 = sub-acute rehabilitation hospital
- 13 = health system-outpatient facility
- 14 = free standing-outpatient facility
- 15 = corporation clinic-outpatient facility
- 16 = extended care
- 17 = health, fitness/wellness
- 18 = physicians office
- 19 = DEV evaluation center
- 20 = school system
- 21 = academic institution
- 22 = research center
- 23 = industry
- 24 = other non-federal setting
- 30 = military installation
- 31 = VA, public health/Indian health
- 32 = other federal setting
- = unknown

Employment setting (1988-1999)

Nonfederal

- 10 = home health
- 11 = hospital
- 12 = nursing home
- 13 = free-standing clinic
- 14 = rehabilitation facility
- 15 = practitioner's office
- 16 = DEC
- 17 = other nonfederal

Federal:

- 21 = military facility
- 22 = VA, public health or Indian Health
- 23 = other federal

Miscellaneous:

- 30 = school, college, educational institution
- 71 = other
- = unknown

** *Employment setting (1983-1987)*

Nonfederal:

- 11 = hospital
- 12 = nursing home
- 13 = free standing clinic
- 14 = rehabilitation facility
- 15 = practitioner's office
- 16 = other nonfederal

Federal:

- 21 = military facility
- 22 = VA., public health or Indian Health
- 23 = other federal

Miscellaneous:

- 30 = school, college, educational institution
- 71 = other

Employment setting (1979-1981)

Nonfederal

- 11 = hospital
- 12 = nursing home
- 13 = clinic
- 14 = group health facility
- 15 = practitioner's office
- 16 = other

Federal:

- 21 = military
- 22 = other

Employment setting-continued (1979-1981)

Schools:

- 31 = school or college of Medicine or Dentistry
- 32 = school or college of nursing
- 33 = school or college of other health discipline
- 34 = school or treatment center for the handicapped or disabled
- 35 = elementary or high school
- 36 = other school or college

Miscellaneous:

- 41 = patient's home
- 42 = medical research facility
- 43 = professional or allied health association
- 44 = administrative health agency

Business establishments:

- 51 = manufacturing or industrial
- 52 = retail, wholesale, or other business

Animal treatment settings:

- 61 = small animal hospital
- 62 = large animal hospital
- 63 = farm or ranch
- 64 = other animal treatment setting

Other settings:

- 71 = other
- = unknown

**20. *Total hours practiced per average week (1979-1981; 1983-1992)*

**21. *Percent time in patient care (1979-1981; 1983-1992)*

22. *Hours per week in patient care (1979-1981)*

23. *Hours per week in retailing (1979-1981)*

24. *Hours per week in teaching (1979-1981)*

25. *Hours per week in research (1979-1981)*

26. *Hours per week in administration (1979-1981)*

27. *Hours per week in other activity (1979-1981)*

28. *Number of weeks worked past 12 months (1979-1981)*

*** If a variable is not available for all years, it will be noted in parentheses.**

**** The accuracy of these variables is uncertain for 1985 due to the licensing board's lack of time to update the files.**

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|---|---|
| <p>1. <i>License/certification number</i></p> <p>2. <i>Licensing date</i> (month and year)</p> <p>3. <i>Name</i>
 first
 middle initial
 last</p> <p>4. <i>Home address</i> (1979-1993)
 city
 state
 zip code</p> <p>5. <i>Mailing address</i>
 address line 1
 address line 2
 city
 state
 ZIP code
 county
 AHEC
 HSA</p> <p>6. <i>Secondary address</i> (1996-2003)
 address line 1
 address line 2
 city
 state
 ZIP code
 country code</p> <p>7. <i>Location codes</i> (based on home address if individual is inactive or if the business location is unknown; otherwise based on the business location)
 ZIP code (1994-2003)
 county
 state
 1 = in state
 2 = out of state
 -9 = state unknown
 AHEC
 HSA</p> <p>8. <i>Birthdate</i> (day, month, & year)</p> <p>9. <i>Birth location</i> (1996-2003)
 state
 country</p> <p>10. <i>Gender</i> (1979-1994, 1999-2003)
 1 = male
 2 = female
 • = unknown</p> <p>11. <i>Race</i> (1999-2003)
 1 = White/Non-Hispanic
 2 = Black/Non-Hispanic
 3 = American Indian/Alaskan Native
 4 = Asian/Pacific Islander
 5 = Hispanic
 6 = Other
 • = unknown</p> <p> <i>Race</i> (1992-1994)
 1 = White
 2 = Black
 3 = American Indian
 4 = Asian
 5 = Hispanic
 6 = Other
 • = unknown</p> | <p><i>Race</i> (1979-1991)
 1 = White
 2 = Black
 3 = American Indian
 4 = Asian
 5 = Other
 • = Unknown</p> <p>12. <i>Spanish origin</i> (1979-1994)
 1 = yes
 2 = no
 • = unknown</p> <p>13. <i>Pre-medical school</i> (1979-1981)</p> <p>14. <i>Pre-medical school state</i> (1979-1981)</p> <p>15. <i>Last year of pre-medical school</i> (1979-1981)</p> <p>16. <i>Medical school</i></p> <p>17. <i>Medical school state</i></p> <p>18. <i>Last year of medical school</i></p> <p>19. <i>Place of internship</i></p> <p>20. <i>State of internship</i></p> <p>21. <i>Last year of internship</i></p> <p>22. <i>Place of residency</i></p> <p>23. <i>State of residency</i></p> <p>24. <i>Last year of residency</i></p> <p>25. <i>Primary specialty</i>
 1 = Aerospace medicine
 2 = Allergy
 3 = Anesthesiology
 4 = Broncho-esophagology
 5 = Cardiovascular disease
 6 = Dermatology
 7 = Diabetes
 8 = Emergency medicine
 9 = Endocrinology
 10 = Family practice
 11 = Gastroenterology
 12 = General practice
 13 = General preventive medicine
 14 = Geriatrics
 15 = Gynecology
 16 = Hematology
 17 = Hypnosis
 18 = Infectious disease
 19 = Internal medicine
 20 = Laryngology
 21 = Legal medicine
 22 = Neoplastic disease
 23 = Nephrology
 24 = Neurology
 25 = Neurology, Child
 26 = Neuropathology
 27 = Nuclear medicine
 28 = Nutrition
 29 = Obstetrics
 30 = Obstetrics/gynecology
 31 = Occupational medicine
 32 = Ophthalmology
 33 = Otology
 34 = Otorhinolaryngology</p> |
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35 = Pathology	106 = Cardiothoracic surgery
36 = Pathology, Clinical	107 = Unspecified
37 = Pathology, Forensic	108 = Hematology/oncology
38 = Pediatrics	109 = Pediatric critical care
39 = Pediatrics, Allergy	110 = Medicine/Psychiatry
40 = Pediatrics, Cardiology	111 = Anesthesiology Critical Care
41 = Pharmacology, Clinical	112 = Pain Medicine
42 = Physical medicine & rehabilitation	113 = Spinal Reconstructive Surgery
43 = Psychiatry	114 = Cytopathology
44 = Psychiatry, Child	115 = Forensic Psychiatry
45 = Psychoanalysis	116 = Hematology Pathology
46 = Psychosomatic medicine	117 = Otolaryngology
47 = Public health	118 = Radiology, Musculoskeletal
48 = Pulmonary disease	119 = Surgery, Critical Care
49 = Radiology	120 = Surgery, Research
50 = Radiology, Diagnostic	121 = Industrial Medicine
51 = Radiology, Pediatric	122 = Addiction Psychiatry
52 = Radiology Therapeutic	123 = Alcohol and Drug Abuse
53 = Rheumatology	124 = Anesthesiology-Pain Management
54 = Rhinology	125 = Clinical Neuropathology
55 = Roentgenology, Diagnostic	126 = Dermatology Immunology
56 = Surgery, Abdominal	127 = Emergency Sports Medicine
57 = Surgery, Cardiovascular	128 = Family Practice, Geriatric
58 = Surgery, Colon and Rectal	129 = Family Practice, Sports Medicine
59 = Surgery, General	130 = Pathology/Immunopathology
60 = Surgery, Hand	131 = Internal Medicine, Cardiac Electrophysiology
61 = Surgery, Head and Neck	132 = Internal Medicine/Immunology Diagnostic Lab
62 = Surgery, Neurological	133 = Internal Medicine/Pulmonary Dis. & Crit. Care
63 = Surgery, Orthopedic	134 = Neurology/Clinical Neurophysiology
64 = Surgery, Pediatric	135 = Obstetrics and Gynecology/ Critical Care
65 = Surgery, Plastic	136 = Orthopedic Sports Medicine
66 = Surgery, Thoracic	137 = Orthopedic Surgery of the Spine
67 = Surgery, Traumatic	138 = Orthopedic Surgery / Adult Reconstructive
68 = Surgery, Urological	139 = Orthopedic Surgery / Musculoskeletal Oncology
69 = Other specialty	140 = Orthopedic Surgery / Pediatric
70 = Urology	141 = Orthopedic Surgery / Trauma
71 = Adolescent medicine	142 = Orthopedic / Ankle, Foot
72 = Allergy and immunology	144 = Pediatric Neurosurgery
73 = Blood banking	145 = Pediatric Sports Medicine
74 = Dermatopathology	146 = Pediatric Urology
75 = Immunology	147 = Psychiatry/Geriatric
76 = Maxillofacial surgery	148 = Vascular and Interventional Radiology
77 = Neonatal-perinatal	149 = Physical Medicine & Rehab/Spinal Cord Injury
78 = Nuclear radiology	150 = Pathology/Pediatric
79 = Oncology	151 = Neurological Surgery/Critical Care
80 = Pediatric endocrinology	152 = Neurological Surgery/Pediatric
81 = Pediatric hematology-oncology	153 = Chemical Pathology
82 = Pediatric nephrology	154 = Transitional Year
83 = Radioisotopic pathology	155 = Clinical Research/Hypertension
84 = Child development	156 = Endourology
85 = Addiction/chemical dependency	157 = Ambulatory Care Fellow
86 = Critical care medicine	158 = Stroke Fellow
87 = Epidemiology	159 = Undersea & Hyperbaric
88 = Gynecological oncology	160 = Biomedical
89 = Maternal and fetal medicine	161 = Epilepsy & Sleep Medicine
90 = Reproductive endocrinology	162 = Otolaryngology, Pediatric
91 = Radiation oncology	163 = Pediatric Ophthalmology
92 = Sports medicine	164 = Gerontology
93 = Vascular surgery	165 = Clinical Investigator Pathway
94 = Medicine/pediatrics	166 = Abdominal Organ Transplantation
95 = Anatomic pathology	(Specialties 85-93 were added in 1990; 94 was added in 1991; 95-105 were added in 1992; 106 was added in 1994; 107-111 were added in 1995; 112-119 were added in 1996; 120 was added in 1997; 121 was added in 1998; 122-154 were added in 1999; 155-161 were added in 2000; 162-163 were added in 2001; 164-166 were added in 2002.)
96 = Facial plastic surgery	
97 = Hand surgery, plastic	
98 = Pediatric gastroenterology	
99 = Pediatric rheumatology	
100 = Pediatric pulmonology	
101 = Pediatric infectious disease	
102 = Surgery, oncology	
103 = Administrative medicine	
104 = Neuro-radiology	
105 = Medical microbiology/genetics	

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26. *Secondary specialty* (see primary specialty)
27. *Board certification primary specialty (self reported)* (1979-1994, 1998)
28. *Board eligible primary specialty (self reported)* (1994)
29. *Board certification secondary specialty (self reported)* (1979-1994, 1998)
30. *Board eligible secondary specialty (self reported)* (1994)
31. *Doctor of osteopathic medicine* (1979-1991, 1994-2003)
32. *Activity status* (1980-2003)
 1 = active
 2 = inactive
 · = unknown
Activity Status (1979)
 1 = currently practicing
 2 = employed in other field
 3 = retired
 4 = inactive
 5 = deceased
 6 = revoked/suspended
 · = unknown
33. *Reason inactive* (1994-2003)
 1 = retired
 2 = engaged in medical research, teaching, or administration as primary activity
 3 = temporarily not in practice
 4 = employed in a non-medical field
 5 = engaged in a research fellowship
 · = unknown
Reason inactive (1992-1993)
 1 = currently practicing
 2 = working in non-medical field
 3 = retired
 4 = homemaker
 5 = other
 · = unknown
Reason inactive (1982-1991)
 1 = currently practicing
 2 = working in other field
 3 = retired
 4 = homemaker
 5 = in training in medicine
 6 = other
 · = unknown
Reason inactive (1979-1981)
 1 = other work-wants work in profession
 2 = other work-doesn't want work in profession
 3 = not working-wants work in profession
 4 = doesn't want work-retired
 5 = doesn't want work-homemaker
 6 = doesn't want work-training
 7 = doesn't want work-other reason
 · = unknown
34. *Hours per week-patient care* (1979-1981, 1992-1996)
35. *Percent time in patient care* (1982-1992)
36. *Hours per week-administration* (1979-1981, 1992-1993, 1995-1996)
37. *Hours per week-research* (1979-1981, 1992-1993, 1995-1996)
38. *Hours per week-teaching* (1979-1981, 1992-1993, 1995-1996)
39. *Hours per week-training in medicine* (1992-1993, 1995-1996)
40. *Hours per week-other medical activities* (1979-1981, 1992-1993, 1995-1996)
41. *Total hours per week* (1979-1993, 1995-1996)
42. *Primary practice location*
 city (1992-1993)
 state (1992-1993)
 ZIP code (1992-2003)
 county (1992-2003)
43. *Primary location facility type* (1998-2003)
 01 = locum tenens
 02 = solo practitioner's office
 03 = free-standing clinic
 04 = group office
 05 = staff or group model HMO
 06 = hospital-outpatient dept
 07 = hospital-emergency room
 08 = hospital-other
 09 = medical school or parent university
 10 = nursing home/extended care facility
 11 = telemedicine
 12 = other
 · = unknown
Primary location facility type (1997)
 01 = locum tenens
 02 = solo practitioner's office
 03 = free-standing clinic
 04 = group office
 05 = staff or group model HMO
 06 = hospital-outpatient dept
 07 = hospital-emergency room
 08 = hospital-other
 09 = medical school or parent university
 10 = nursing home/extended care facility
 11 = other
Primary location facility type (1995-1996)
 01 = locum
 02 = solo practitioner's office
 03 = free-standing clinic (publicly supported)
 04 = group office
 05 = nursing home extended care facility
 06 = hospital-outpatient department (OPD)
 07 = hospital-emergency room (ER)
 08 = hospital-other than ER or OPD
 09 = medical school or parent university
 00 = other
Primary location facility type (1994)
 01 = solo practitioner's office
 02 = free-standing clinic
 03 = group office
 04 = nursing home or extended care
 05 = hospital-outpatient department
 06 = hospital-emergency room
 07 = hospital-other
 08 = medical school or parent university
 09 = other
44. *Primary location hours per week-clinical care - excluding on-call hours* (1997-2003)
45. *Primary location clinical care hours per week-primary care* (1997-2003)

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46. *Primary location number of week-day nights and weekend days on call* (1997-2003)
07 = hospital-other
08 = medical school or parent university
09 = other
47. *Primary location number of patient visits/week* (1994)
48. *Primary location hours/week in direct patient care* (1994)
49. *Primary location hours/week on-call* (1994)
50. *Primary location hours/week teaching, research, administration* (1994)
51. *Primary location hours/week other* (1994)
52. *Primary location hours/week in medicine* (1994)
53. *Primary location employment setting* (1992-1993)
54. *Primary location percent prepaid* (1992-1993)
55. *Secondary practice location*
city (1992-1993)
state (1992-1993)
ZIP code (1992-2003)
county (1992-2003)
56. *Secondary location facility type* (1998-2003)
01 = locum tenens
02 = solo practitioner's office
03 = free-standing clinic
04 = group office
05 = staff or group model HMO
06 = hospital-outpatient dept
07 = hospital-emergency room
08 = hospital-other
09 = medical school or parent university
10 = nursing home/extended care facility
11 = telemedicine
12 = other
 = unknown
- Secondary location facility type* (1997)
01 = locum tenens
02 = solo practitioner's office
03 = free-standing clinic
04 = group office
05 = staff or group model HMO
06 = hospital-outpatient dept
07 = hospital-emergency room
08 = hospital-other
09 = medical school or parent university
10 = nursing home/extended care facility
11 = other
- Secondary location facility type* (1995-1996)
01 = locum
02 = solo practitioner's office
03 = free-standing clinic (publicly supported)
04 = group office
05 = nursing home extended care facility
06 = hospital-outpatient department (OPD)
07 = hospital-emergency room (ER)
08 = hospital-other than ER or OPD
09 = medical school or parent university
10 = other
- Secondary location facility type* (1994)
01 = solo practitioner's office
02 = free-standing clinic
03 = group office
04 = nursing home or extended care
05 = hospital-outpatient department
06 = hospital-emergency room
57. *Secondary location hours per week-clinical care - excluding on-call hours* (1997-2003)
58. *Secondary location clinical care hours per week-primary care* (1997-2003)
59. *Secondary location number of week-day nights and weekend days on call* (1997-2003)
60. *Secondary location number of patient visits/week* (1994)
61. *Secondary location hours/week in direct patient care* (1994)
62. *Secondary location hours/week on-call* (1994)
63. *Secondary location hours/week teaching, research, administration* (1994)
64. *Secondary location hours/week other* (1994)
65. *Secondary location hours/week in medicine* (1992-1993)
66. *Secondary location employment setting* (1992-1993)
67. *Secondary location percent prepaid* (1992-1993)
68. *Other practice location*
city (1992-1993)
state (1992-1993)
ZIP code (1992-2003)
county (1992-2003)
69. *Other location facility type* (1998-2003)
01 = locum tenens
02 = solo practitioner's office
03 = free-standing clinic
04 = group office
05 = staff or group model HMO
06 = hospital-outpatient dept
07 = hospital-emergency room
08 = hospital-other
09 = medical school or parent university
10 = nursing home/extended care facility
11 = telemedicine
12 = other
 = unknown
- Other location facility type* (1997)
01 = locum tenens
02 = solo practitioner's office
03 = free-standing clinic
04 = group office
05 = staff or group model HMO
06 = hospital-outpatient dept
07 = hospital-emergency room
08 = hospital-other
09 = medical school or parent university
10 = nursing home/extended care facility
11 = other
- Other location facility type* (1995-1996)
01 = locum
02 = solo practitioner's office
03 = free-standing clinic (publicly supported)
04 = group office
05 = nursing home extended care facility
06 = hospital-outpatient department (OPD)

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07 = hospital-emergency room (ER)	95. Are you engaged in direct patient care: employed in a non-medical field (1995-2003)
08 = hospital-other than ER or OPD	96. Are you engaged in direct patient care: primarily doing research, teaching or administration (1995-2003)
09 = medical school or parent university	97. Engaged in direct patient care 1-20 hrs/wk (1995-1996)
00 = other	98. Engaged in direct patient care 1-20 hrs/wk: part-time medical practice (1995-1996)
Other location facility type (1994)	99. Engaged in direct patient care 1-20 hrs/wk: research, teaching, or administration (1995-1996)
01 = solo practitioner's office	100. Engaged in direct patient care 1-20 hrs/wk: other (1995-1996)
02 = free-standing clinic	101. Engaged in direct patient care more than 20 hrs/wk (1995-1996)
03 = group office	102. Most of practice income from salary rather than service for fees (1994)
04 = nursing home or extended care	103. Percent patient care income from Medicare (1994)
05 = hospital-outpatient department	104. Percent patient care income from Medicaid (1994)
06 = hospital-emergency room	105. Percent patient care income from private insurance (including BC/BS) (1994)
07 = hospital-other	106. Percent patient care income from other sources (grants, worker's comp.) (1994)
08 = medical school or parent university	107. Percent patient care income from managed care (HMO/PPO) (1994)
09 = other	108. Percent patient care income unreimbursed (1994)
70. Other location hours per week-clinical care -excluding on-call hours (1997-2003)	109. Percent patient care income from patient out of pocket (1994)
71. Other location clinical care hours per week-primary care (1997-2003)	110. Only accepts new patients with insurance (1994)
72. Other location number of week-day nights and weekend days on call (1997-2003)	111. Only accepts new patients on Medicaid (1994)
73. Other location number of patient visits/week (1994)	112. Only accepts new patients on Medicare (1994)
74. Other location hours/week in direct patient care (1994)	113. Accepts all types of new patient, regardless of insurance (1994)
75. Other location hours/week on-call (1994)	114. Intend to retire or relocate outside of NC this year (1994)
76. Other location hours/week teaching, research, administration (1994)	115. Number of weeks worked in clinical practice (1994)
77. Other location hours/week other (1994)	116. Number of weeks worked last year (1979-1981, 1992-1993)
78. Other location hours/week in medicine (1994)	117. Years active (1979-1981)
79. Other location employment setting (1992-1993)	118. Number of babies personally delivered in the past year (1994)
80. Other location percent prepaid (1992-1993)	119. Intend to deliver babies during the next calendar year (1994)
81. Principally employed by federal government	120. Currently delivering babies (1992-1993)
82. Add date (1996-2003)	
83. Basis code (1996-2003)	
84. License code (1996-2003)	
85. Cert. date (1996-2003)	
86. Public file (1996-2003)	
87. Principally employed by state or local government (1995-1996)	
88. Has practice changed since last registration? (1995-1996)	
89. Do you provide obstetric deliveries? (1997-2003)	
90. Do you provide prenatal care? (1997-2003)	
91. Do you provide obstetric care? (1995-1996)	
92. Are you engaged in direct patient care (1995-2003)	
93. Are you engaged in direct patient care: retired from active practice (1995-2003)	
94. Are you engaged in direct patient care: temporarily not in practice (on leave) (1995-2003)	

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121. *Form of employment* (1980-1991)

Self employed:

- 1 = solo
- 2 = partnership
- 3 = post graduate

Non-governmental employer:

- 4 = retail
- 5 = partnership
- 6 = group health plan
- 7 = medical school
- 8 = other - non-governmental

Governmental employer:

- 9 = local
- 10 = county
- 11 = state
- 12 = federal - non-military
- 13 = federal - military
- 14 = other
- = unknown

Form of employment (1979 only)

Self employed:

- 1 = solo
- 2 = partnership
- 3 = post graduate
- 4 = academic

Non-governmental employer:

- 5 = retail
- 6 = group
- 7 = group health plan
- 8 = medical school
- 9 = other

Governmental employer:

- 10 = local
- 11 = county
- 10 = state
- 11 = federal - non-military
- 12 = federal - military

122. *National Health Service Corps* (1981-1982)

- 1 = yes
- 2 = no
- = unknown

123. *Employment setting* (1992-1993)

Non-federal:

- 1 = practitioners office
- 2 = free standing clinic
- 3 = group health care facility
- 4 = hospital
- 5 = nursing home

Federal:

- 6 = health facility-military
- 7 = hospital-VA, public health, Indian health
- 8 = health facility-other

Miscellaneous:

- 9 = university or educational institution
- 10 = other

Employment setting (1982-1991)

Non-federal:

- 1 = practitioners office
- 2 = free standing clinic
- 3 = group health care facility
- 4 = professional association
- 5 = hospital
- 6 = nursing home
- 7 = other non-federal

Federal:

- 8 = health facility-military

9 = hospital-VA, public health, Indian health

10 = health facility-other

Miscellaneous:

- 11 = educational institution
- 12 = other
- = unknown

Employment setting (1980-1981)

Non-federal:

- 1 = practitioners office
- 2 = free standing clinic
- 3 = group health care facility
- 4 = hospital
- 5 = nursing home
- 6 = other

Federal:

- 7 = health facility-military
- 8 = health facility-non-military

Miscellaneous:

- 9 = patient's homes
- 10 = medical research institute or establishment
- 11 = administrative or regulatory health agency
- 12 = professional association

Schools:

- 13 = school of medicine or dentistry
- 14 = school of nursing
- 15 = school of public health
- 16 = school for handicapped
- 17 = other school
- 18 = other setting
- = unknown

Employment setting (1979 only)

Non-federal:

- 1 = practitioners office
- 2 = free standing clinic
- 3 = group health care facility
- 4 = hospital
- 5 = nursing home

Federal:

- 6 = military health facility
- 7 = VA, public health

Miscellaneous:

- 8 = patients' homes
- 9 = medical research institution
- 10 = administrative health agency

Schools:

- 11 = medical or dental school
- 12 = nursing school
- 13 = public health school
- 14 = school for handicapped
- 15 = other school
- 16 = other setting
- = unknown

* If a variable is not available for all years, it will be noted in parentheses.

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1. *License/certification number*
 2. *Name*
 - first
 - middle initial
 - last
 3. *Business address*
 - business name
 - street
 - city
 - state
 - zip code
 - county
 - AHEC
 - HSA
 4. *Mailing address*
 - street
 - city
 - state
 - zip code
 5. *Name of residency program*
 6. *Residency specialty (see pages 188-189 for specialties)*
 7. *Location codes (based on business address)*
 - county
 - state
 - 1 = in-state
 - 2 = out of state
 - 9 = state unknown
 - AHEC
 - HSA

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1. *License/certification number*
2. *Licensing date (1979-1985)*
month
year
3. *Name*
first
middle initial
last
4. *Home address*
street
city
state
zip code
county
AHEC
HSA
5. *Business address*
business name
street
city
state
zip code
county
AHEC
HSA
6. *Preferred mailing address*
1 = home
2 = business
• = unknown
7. *Location codes (based on home address if individual is inactive or if the business address is unknown; otherwise based on the business address)*
county
state
1 = in state
2 = out of state
-9 = state unknown
AHEC
HSA
8. *Birth year*
9. *Gender*
1 = male
2 = female
• = unknown
10. *Race (1979-1985)*
1 = White
2 = Black
3 = American Indian
4 = Asian
5 = Other
• = Unknown
11. *Spanish origin (1979-1983)*
1 = yes
2 = no
• = unknown
12. *Basic professional education - state*
13. *Basic professional education - school*
14. *Basic professional education - year*
15. *Activity status*
1 = active
2 = inactive
• = unknown
16. *Reason inactive (1986-2003)*
3 = teaching
4 = retired
5 = in professional training
6 = other
• = unknown
- Reason inactive (1982-1985)*
1 = working in other field
2 = retired
3 = homemaker
4 = in professional training
5 = other
• = unknown
- Reason inactive (1979-1981)*
1 = other work - wants work in profession
2 = other work - doesn't want work in profession
3 = not working - want work in profession
4 = doesn't want work - retired
5 = doesn't want work - homemaker
6 = doesn't want work - training
7 = doesn't want work - other reason
• = reason unknown
17. *Primary specialty*
1 = foot orthopedics/biomechanics
2 = general practice
3 = podiatric dermatology
4 = podogeriatrics
5 = podopediatrics
6 = roentgenology
7 = surgery
8 = other specialty
0 = none
• = unknown
18. *Secondary specialty (1979-1981)*
19. *Tertiary specialty (1979-1981)*

20. *Form of employment* (1982-2003)

- 1 = solo - self employed
- 2 = non-solo - self employed

Employee of:

- 3 = individual practitioner
- 4 = partnership or group
- 5 = local government
- 6 = county government
- 7 = State government
- 8 = Federal government
- 9 = other

- = unknown

Form of employment (1979-1981)

Self employed:

- 11 = solo
- 12 = partnership or group

Non-governmental employer:

- 21 = individual practice
- 22 = retail or wholesale trade
- 23 = partnership or group
- 24 = group health plan facility
- 25 = other

Governmental employer:

- 31 = local
- 32 = county
- 33 = state
- 34 = federal-civilian
- 35 = federal-military

Miscellaneous:

- 41 = unpaid worker
- 44 = other
- = unknown

21. *Employment setting* (1982-2003)

Non-federal:

- 11 = hospital
- 12 = nursing home
- 13 = free-standing clinic
- 14 = group pre-paid health facility
- 15 = practitioner's office
- 16 = other

Federal:

- 21 = military
- 22 = VA, public health, Indian health
- 23 = other

Miscellaneous:

- 30 = school, college university or other educational institution
- 71 = other type of setting
- = unknown

Employment setting (1979-1981)

Nonfederal:

- 11 = hospital
- 12 = nursing home
- 13 = clinic
- 14 = group health facility
- 15 = practitioner's office
- 16 = other

Federal:

- 21 = military
- 22 = other

Schools:

- 31 = medicine, dentistry
- 32 = nursing
- 33 = other health profession
- 34 = school, handicapped
- 35 = elementary or high school
- 36 = other

Miscellaneous:

- 41 = patient's home
- 42 = medical research facility
- 43 = professional or allied health association
- 44 = administrative health agency

Business establishments:

- 51 = manufacturing or industrial
- 52 = retail, wholesale, or other business

Other settings:

- 71 = other
- = unknown

22. *Total hours practiced per average week* (1979-1986)23. *Percent time in patient care* (1979-1986)24. *Hours per week in retailing* (1979-1981)25. *Hours per week in teaching* (1979-1981)26. *Hours per week in research* (1979-1981)27. *Hours per week in administration* (1979-1981)28. *Hours per week in other activity* (1979-1981)29. *Number of weeks worked past 12 months* (1979-1981)

<p>* If a variable is not available for all years, it will be noted in parentheses.</p>

Data Available for Practicing Psychologists and Psychological Associates, 1979-2003*

1. *License/certification number*
2. *Licensing date*
month
year
3. *Name*
first
middle initial
last
4. *Home address*
street
city
state
zip code
county
AHEC
HSA
5. *Business address*
business name
street
city
state
zip code
county
AHEC
HSA
6. *Preferred mailing address*
1 = home
2 = business
• = unknown
7. *Location codes (based on home address if individual is inactive or if business address is unknown; otherwise based on business address)*
county
state
1 = in state
2 = out of state
-9 = state unknown
AHEC
HSA
8. *Birth year*
9. *Gender*
1 = male
2 = female
• = unknown
10. *Race*
1 = White
2 = Black
3 = American Indian
4 = Asian
5 = Other
• = Unknown
11. *Spanish origin (1979-1983)*
1 = yes
2 = no
• = unknown
12. *Basic professional education - state (1979-1984; 1986-2003)*
13. *Basic professional education - school (1979-1984; 1986-2003)*
14. *Basic professional education - year (1979-1984; 1986-2003)*
15. *Basic professional education - degree (1979-1984; 1986-2003)*
5 = baccalaureate
6 = masters
7 = doctorate required for licensure
(for practicing psychologists only)
• = unknown
16. *Activity status*
1 = active
2 = inactive
• = unknown
17. *Reason inactive (1982-2003)*
1 = working in other field
2 = retired
3 = unemployed
4 = student
5 = other
• = unknown
- Reason inactive (1979-1981)*
1 = other work - wants work in profession
2 = other work - doesn't want work in profession
3 = not working - wants work in profession
4 = doesn't want work - retired
5 = doesn't want work - homemaker
6 = doesn't want work - training
7 = doesn't want work -other reason
• = reason unknown
18. *Primary specialty (2003)*
1 = clinical
3 = counseling
8 = industrial and organizational
12 = school
14 = other
0 = no specialty
• = unknown
- Primary specialty (1992-2002)*
1 = clinical
2 = community
3 = counseling
4 = developmental
5 = educational
6 = evaluation and measurement
7 = experimental
8 = industrial and organizational
9 = personality
10 = physiological
11 = rehabilitation
12 = school
13 = social
14 = other
0 = no specialty
• = unknown
- Primary specialty (1979-1991)*
1 = behavior therapy
2 = clinical
3 = community
4 = comparative
5 = consulting
6 = counseling
7 = developmental
8 = educational
9 = evaluation and measurement
10 = experimental
11 = mental retardation
12 = military
13 = industrial and organizational
14 = rehabilitation
15 = personality

- 16 = physiological
- 17 = psychodiagnostics
- 18 = psychological hypnosis
- 19 = psychopharmacology
- 20 = psychotherapy
- 21 = school
- 22 = social
- 23 = other
- 24 = neuropsychology
- 0 = no specialty
- = unknown

19. *Secondary specialty* (1979-1981)20. *Tertiary specialty* (1979-1981)21. *Form of employment* (1982-1985)

- 1 = solo - self employed
- 2 = non-solo - self employed

Employee of:

- 3 = individual practitioner
- 4 = partnership or group
- 5 = local government
- 6 = county government
- 7 = State government
- 8 = Federal government
- 9 = other
- = unknown

Form of employment (1979-1981)

Self employed:

- 11 = solo
- 12 = partnership or group

Non-governmental employer:

- 21 = individual practice
- 22 = retail or wholesale trade
- 23 = partnership or group
- 24 = group health plan facility
- 25 = other

Governmental employer:

- 31 = local
- 32 = county
- 33 = state
- 34 = federal-civilian
- 35 = federal-military

Miscellaneous:

- 41 = unpaid worker
- 44 = other
- = unknown

22. *Employment setting* (1991-2003)

- 1 = State or local government
- 2 = Federal
- 3 = public school system
- 4 = non-governmental health care
- 5 = private or group practice
- 6 = educational institution
- 7 = business/industry
- 8 = other
- = unknown

Employment setting (1982-1990)

Nonfederal:

- 11 = hospital
- 12 = nursing home
- 13 = clinic
- 14 = group pre-paid health facility
- 15 = practitioner's office
- 16 = other

Federal:

- 21 = military
- 22 = VA, public health, Indian health
- 23 = other

Miscellaneous:

- 30 = school, college university or other educational institution
- 71 = other type of setting
- = unknown

Employment setting (1979-1981)

Nonfederal:

- 11 = hospital
- 12 = nursing home
- 13 = clinic
- 14 = group health facility
- 15 = practitioner's office
- 16 = other

Federal:

- 21 = military
- 22 = other

Schools:

- 31 = medicine, dentistry
- 32 = nursing
- 33 = other health profession
- 34 = school, handicapped
- 35 = elementary or high school
- 36 = other

Miscellaneous:

- 41 = patients' home
- 42 = medical research facility
- 43 = professional or allied health association
- 44 = administrative health agency

Business establishments:

- 51 = manufacturing or industrial
- 52 = retail, wholesale, or other business

Other settings:

- 71 = other
- = unknown

23. *Total hours practiced per average week* (1979-1984)24. *Percent time in patient care* (1979-1984)25. *Hours per week in retailing* (1979-1981)26. *Hours per week in teaching* (1979-1981)27. *Hours per week in research* (1979-1981)28. *Hours per week in administration* (1979-1981)29. *Hours per week in other activity* (1979-1981)30. *Number of weeks worked in past 12 months* (1979-1981)

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Data Available for Registered Nurses, 1979-2003*

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|---|---|
| <p>1. License/certification number</p> <p>2. Licensing date
month
year</p> <p>3. Year of license renewal (approximately
half are renewed on odd years, half on
even years)</p> <p>4. Name
first
middle initial
last</p> <p>5. Home address
state
county
AHEC
HSA</p> <p>6. Business address
city
state
zip code
county
AHEC
HSA</p> <p>7. Mailing address
street
city
state
zip</p> <p>8. Location codes (based on mailing address if individual is
inactive or if the business address is unknown; otherwise
based on the business address)
county
state
1 = in state
2 = out of state
-9 = state unknown
AHEC
HSA</p> <p>9. Birth year</p> <p>10. Gender
1 = male
2 = female
• = unknown</p> <p>11. Race (1992-2003)
1 = White
2 = Black
3 = American Indian
4 = Hispanic
5 = Asian
6 = Other
• = Unknown</p> | <p>Race (1979-1991)
1 = White
2 = Black
3 = American Indian
4 = Asian
5 = Other
• = Unknown</p> <p>12. Spanish origin (1979-2003)
1 = yes
2 = no
• = unknown</p> <p>13. Marital status (1979-1981)
1 = never married
2 = married
3 = separated/divorced
4 = widowed
• = unknown</p> <p>14. Basic nursing education - degree for licensure
(1993-2003)
1 = diploma
2 = associate
3 = baccalaureate in nursing (BSN)
4 = masters in nursing
5 = baccalaureate or higher
6 = other
• = unknown</p> <p>Basic nursing education - degree for licensure
(1979-1991)
1 = diploma
2 = associate
3 = baccalaureate or higher
4 = other
• = unknown</p> <p>15. Basic professional education - school</p> <p>16. Basic professional education - state</p> <p>17. Basic professional education - year</p> <p>18. Highest degree (1999-2003)
1 = diploma
2 = associate
3 = baccalaureate in nursing
4 = baccalaureate in other field
5 = masters in nursing
6 = masters in other field
7 = doctorate in nursing
8 = doctorate in other field
• = unknown</p> <p>Highest degree (1979-1998)
1 = diploma
2 = associate
3 = baccalaureate in nursing
4 = baccalaureate in other field
5 = masters in nursing
6 = masters in other field
7 = doctorate
• = unknown</p> |
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19. *Present employment status* (2002-2003)

- 1 = employed in nursing full-time
- 2 = employed in nursing part-time
- 3 = employed in other field full-time
- 4 = employed in other field part-time
- 5 = unemployed
- 6 = retired
- = unknown

Present employment status (2001)

- 1 = employed in nursing full-time
- 2 = employed in nursing part-time
- 3 = employed in other field full-time
- 4 = employed in other field part-time
- 5 = unemployed
- = unknown

Present employment status (1979 only)

- 1 = employed in nursing full-time
- 2 = employed in nursing part-time
- 3 = employed in other field full-time
- 4 = employed in other field part-time
- 5 = unemployed
- 6 = employed in nursing, hours unknown
- 7 = employed in other field, hours unkn.
- = unknown

20. *Inactive status* (1980-1981)

- 1 = wants work in profession
- 2 = other work - doesn't want work in profession
- 3 = not working - wants work in profession
- 4 = not working - doesn't want work in profession
- 5 = other
- = unknown

21. *Major clinical practice or training area* (2000-2003)

- 1 = public/community health
- 2 = general practice
- 3 = geriatrics
- 4 = obstetrics-gynecology
- 5 = medical-surgical
- 6 = pediatrics
- 7 = psychiatric mental health
- 8 = AIDS
- 9 = cardiology
- 10 = critical care
- 11 = dermatology
- 12 = dialysis
- 13 = drug/alcohol
- 14 = EENT
- 15 = emergency care
- 16 = family health
- 17 = neonatal
- 18 = neurology
- 19 = occupational health
- 20 = oncology
- 21 = orthopedics
- 22 = peri-operative
- 23 = rehabilitation
- 24 = transplants
- 25 = urology
- 26 = other
- = unknown

Major clinical practice or training area (1999)

- 1 = public/community health
- 2 = general practice
- 3 = geriatrics
- 4 = obstetrics-gynecology
- 5 = medical-surgical
- 6 = pediatrics
- 7 = psychiatric mental health
- 8 = AIDS

- 9 = cardiology
- 10 = critical care
- 11 = dermatology
- 12 = dialysis
- 13 = drug/alcohol
- 14 = EENT
- 15 = emergency care
- 16 = family health
- 17 = neonatal
- 18 = occupational health
- 19 = oncology
- 20 = orthopedics
- 21 = peri-operative
- 22 = rehabilitation
- 23 = transplants
- 24 = urology
- 25 = other
- = unknown

Major clinical practice or training area (1979-1998)

- 1 = community/public health/home health
- 2 = general practice
- 3 = geriatric/gerontologic
- 4 = OB/GYN
- 5 = medical/surgical
- 6 = pediatric
- 7 = psychiatric/mental health
- 8 = other
- = unknown

22. *Setting* (1999-2003)

- 1 = hospital-in-patient
- 2 = hospital-out-patient
- 3 = long term care
- 4 = solo/group medical practice
- 5 = HMO/insurance company
- 6 = home care/hospice
- 7 = public clinic/ health department
- 8 = mental health facility
- 9 = student health site
- 10 = industry/ manufacturing site
- 11 = private duty
- 12 = school of nursing/medicine
- 13 = other
- = unknown

Setting (1993-1998)

- 1 = hospital
- 2 = nursing home
- 3 = school of nursing
- 4 = private duty
- 5 = school
- 6 = industry
- 7 = physician/dentist office nurse
- 8 = community based agency
- 9 = other
- 10 = self employment
- = unknown

Setting (1992)

- 1 = hospital
- 2 = nursing home
- 3 = school of nursing
- 4 = private duty
- 5 = school
- 6 = occupational health/industry
- 7 = physician/dentist office nurse
- 8 = community based agency
- 9 = other
- 10 = self employment
- = unknown

Setting (1979-1991)

- 1 = hospital

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- 2 = nursing home
- 3 = school of nursing
- 4 = private duty
- 5 = school
- 6 = occupational health/industry
- 7 = physician/dentist office nurse
- 8 = community based agency
- 9 = self employment
- 10 = other
- = unknown

23. *Type of position (2002-2003)*

- 1 = administrator or assistant
- 2 = consultant
- 3 = supervisor or assistant
- 4 = instructor
- 5 = head nurse or assistant
- 6 = staff/general duty
- 7 = nurse practitioner
- 8 = nurse midwife
- 9 = clinical specialist
- 10 = CRNA
- 11 = research
- 12 = other
- = unknown

Type of position (1999-2001)

- 1 = administrator or assistant
- 2 = consultant
- 3 = supervisor or assistant
- 4 = instructor
- 5 = head nurse or assistant
- 6 = staff/general duty
- 7 = nurse practitioner
- 8 = nurse midwife
- 9 = clinical specialist
- 10 = CRNA
- 11 = other
- = unknown

Type of position (1979-1998)

- 1 = administrator or assistant
- 2 = consultant
- 3 = supervisor or assistant
- 4 = instructor
- 5 = head nurse or assistant
- 6 = staff/general duty
- 7 = nurse practitioner/midwife
- 8 = clinical specialist
- 9 = CRNA
- 10 = other
- = unknown

24. *Average hours worked per week*25. *Number of weeks worked last year (1979-1981)*

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